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## LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY

BUFFALO, N.Y., APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 A.D.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY**, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

*WHEREAS, Kevin M. Backus is a Grand Island resident and proud husband of Sharon; and*

*WHEREAS, Kevin M. Backus attended college, where he majored in Biblical Literature with a minor concentration in Education; and*

*WHEREAS, Kevin M. Backus attended graduate school at Faith Theological Seminary earning a Masters of Divinity, and went on to earn a Masters in Sacred Theology and a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Biblical Counseling from Whitefield Theological Seminary; and;*

*WHEREAS, Kevin M. Backus has served as pastor of the Grand Island Bible Presbyterian Church for over 30 years, where he is committed to applying the work of God to people's lives; and*

*WHEREAS, Kevin M. Backus teaches Biblical Counseling at the church's Family Life Center, and counselors are continually being trained to service across Western New York and Southern Ontario; and*

*WHEREAS, Kevin M. Backus lectures internationally and serves on the National Certifying Board for biblical counselors.*

*WHEREAS, Kevin M. Backus serves as the Chairman of the Inter-Church Relations Committee and is the International Field Director for the Presbyterian Missionary Union, where he is Moderator and Host Pastor for the Synod for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, being celebrated on Grand Island this summer.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Erie County Legislature applauds **Kevin M. Backus** for being presented the 2012 Ministry Award by the Grand Island Chamber of Commerce, and for his dedication to the community of the Town of Grand Island.

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**Kevin R. Hardwick,**  
Erie County Legislator – 4th District

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**Robert M. Graber**  
Clerk of the Legislature of Erie County