

# STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY  
BUFFALO, N.Y., APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 A.D.

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**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**, James H. Watz is a longtime resident of the Town of Grand Island, husband of Sharon and father of Michael; and

**WHEREAS**, James H. Watz graduated from Canisius College and Boston College Law School, and served as a Captain in the United States Army and Associate Professor of Law at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point; and

**WHEREAS** James H. Watz worked at Phillips Lytle LLP where he was active in professional and pro bono work and was an adjunct instructor of business law at the State University of New York at Buffalo; and

**WHEREAS**, James H. Watz is founder and president of the Grand Island Community Chorus, which performs three concerts each year, including a concert last spring with the Buffalo State College Philharmonic Orchestra and student choral groups; and;

**WHEREAS**, James H. Watz was chairman of the board of the Christian Foundation for the Performing Arts; and

**WHEREAS**, James H. Watz has served on the St. Stephen Roman Catholic Church Parish Council, School Advisory Board and School Finance Committee, and is a member of the Grand Island Historical Society and Friends of the Library; and

**WHEREAS**, James H. Watz enjoys being a tour guide and volunteer at Old Fort Niagara, and participates in fundraising for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of Western New York.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, the Erie County Legislature applauds James H. Watz for being awarded the Performing Arts Award for 2012 by the Grand Island Chamber of Commerce, and for his dedication to the Town of Grand Island.

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Kevin R. Hardwick.  
Erie County Legislator – 4<sup>th</sup> District

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Robert M. Graber  
Clerk of the Legislature of Erie County