

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., SEPTEMBER 22, 2022 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 22nd day of September 2022 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

**Honoring Firefighter Thomas Bausch on being inducted
into the Erie County Fire Advisory Board's Wall of Honor**

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals and institutions in Erie County who enhance the quality of life in the community through their efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Fire Services Wall of Honor exists to serve as public recognition, honoring those members of Erie County's fire services who have demonstrated, through their dedication, talents, and sacrifices, values that promote fire service values; and

WHEREAS, the Wall of Honor is located at the Erie County Emergency Services Training and Operations Center in Cheektowaga; and

WHEREAS, **Thomas Bausch** has been a member of the Vigilant Volunteer Fire Company in West Seneca, New York, for nearly fifty years as an active firefighter, member of the Board of Directors, continually moving up through the ranks; and

WHEREAS, **Thomas Bausch** served as Fire Chief from 1982 through 1983 and immediately went on to serve as Fire Commissioner for several terms in addition to his commitment to several committees, including steering, house & buildings, and the truck committee; and

WHEREAS, **Thomas Bausch**, a West Seneca native, became and remained the department's "go-to" when a task needed to be completed, including driving the apparatus any time of day or night; and

WHEREAS, **Thomas Bausch** received the company's highest honor, Vigilant's Ed Keller Award, in 1999 for his years of dedicated service and remains a mentor to many and a friend to all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor and recognize **Thomas Bausch** on his induction into the Wall of Honor and his selfless commitment and dedication to serving his community with the Vigilant Fire Company.

JOSEPH C. LORIGO
Erie County Legislator 10th District