



Office of the County Executive Monroe County Legislature

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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
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Rochester, New York 14614

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Subject: Authorization to Memorialize Davis Road in the Towns of Chili and Riga in Honor of Mercy Flight Pilot James Sauer

Honorable Legislators:

We recommend that Your Honorable Body authorize the fabrication and posting of two signs on Davis Road (County Route 131) in the Towns of Chili and Riga to honor and memorialize Mercy Flight pilot James Sauer, who tragically passed away on April 26, 2022 during a flight training exercise. We respectfully submit this as a Matter of Importance pursuant to Section 545-24(C) of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature.

Mr. Sauer, a resident of Churchville, New York, had served as a pilot with Mercy Flight since 2020. Prior to his time with Mercy Flight, Mr. Sauer served as a pilot for the Rochester Police Department and the New York State Police. Mr. Sauer also served in the United States Army as a pilot in Afghanistan and was a member of the United States Army National Guard for over forty years. Mr. Sauer was survived by his wife, Marie; his children, Joshua and Laura; and several grandchildren.

County Route 131 is significant given that Mr. Sauer resided on that road prior to his passing. One memorialization sign will be placed near the intersection of County Route 131 and Attridge Road. The other memorialization sign will be placed on the opposite end of County Route 131 near the Union Street intersection.

The specific legislative actions required are:

1. Memorialize Davis Road (County Route 131) in Honor of Mercy Flight Pilot James Sauer.
2. Authorize the County Executive to take appropriate steps to effectuate the fabrication and posting of the two memorialization signs on opposite ends of Davis Road in the Towns of Chili and Riga.

This is a Type II Action pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.5(c)(26) ("routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment") and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

No additional net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

We recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.



Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive

Sincerely,



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Monroe County Legislator
District 3



Steve Brew
Majority Leader
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