

Intro. No. ____

RESOLUTION NO. ____ OF 2025

IN MEMORIAM

EXPRESSING REGRET OF THE MONROE COUNTY LEGISLATURE ON THE RECENT PASSING OF DR. JOSEPH L. CARBONE, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE MONROE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monroe County Legislature extends its heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathy at the passing of former President of the Legislature Dr. Joseph L. Carbone, a caring husband, loving father, trusted physician, loyal friend, and deeply respected voice in our community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carbone, affectionately known as “Dr. Joe,” passed away peacefully at his home in Irondequoit on June 21, 2025, at the age of 68, surrounded by his beloved family. Born and raised in Irondequoit, he graduated from the Aquinas Institute and later earned his degree from the New York College of Podiatric Medicine, going on to serve more than four decades as a dedicated podiatric physician and educator. Admired for his clinical expertise, compassionate care, and mentorship, Dr. Carbone rose to serve as Chief of Podiatry at Rochester Regional Health and left an indelible mark on countless lives; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carbone brought that same energy, passion, and integrity into public life, representing the 16th Legislative District in the Monroe County Legislature from 2013 to 2021. Rising through the ranks to serve as Assistant Majority Leader, Vice President, and ultimately as President of the Legislature, he championed fiscal responsibility, government transparency, and commonsense leadership rooted in doing what was right for the people he served. Known for his outspokenness, refreshing honesty, and sharp wit, Dr. Carbone was as quick to share a laugh as he was to speak his mind. Impeccably styled and steadfast in his convictions, he earned respect and affection from colleagues and constituents alike; and

WHEREAS, beyond his professional and legislative accomplishments, Dr. Carbone was a vibrant and generous presence in civic life, serving on the boards of the Italian Heritage Foundation, Golisano Children’s Hospital, and Monroe Community College, while also remaining deeply committed to his faith and family. His magnetic personality - marked by a love for fast cars, fine watches, and a warm sense of humor - made everyone feel welcome and valued; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carbone is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 26 years, Mary; his cherished daughter Roma and her husband Lucas McGrann; his loving mother Loretta Carbone; his sister Carol (Joe) Paladino; his mother-in-law Nancy McCombs; and a wide circle of extended family, friends, colleagues, and former patients who will forever carry his memory in their hearts; and

WHEREAS, Monroe County has lost not only a former President of its Legislature but a true giant in our community - one of a kind, the best of the best - whose legacy lives on in the lives he touched and the community he helped strengthen; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby requested to forward a copy of this resolution to the bereaved family.

This resolution was adopted unanimously, with each legislator rising in his or her place for a moment of silence.