

Intro. No. \_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_ OF 2017

*IN MEMORIAM*

**EXPRESSING REGRET OF THE MONROE COUNTY LEGISLATURE ON THE RECENT PASSING OF FORMER MONROE COUNTY LEGISLATOR AND PRESIDENT JOANNE VAN ZANDT**

*BE IT RESOLVED*, that the Monroe County Legislature hereby expresses its deep sympathy at the recent passing of former Monroe County Legislator and President Joanne Van Zandt; and

*WHEREAS*, Joanne passed away peacefully on April 26, 2017 at age 89; and

*WHEREAS*, Joanne was born in 1927 in Philadelphia to Elizabeth Harding Dill and Louis Edward Dill. She attended college at the University of Pennsylvania. She married Theodore Fiske Van Zandt in 1950, and they began their family of four children in 1955; and

*WHEREAS*, Joanne served five consecutive terms in the Monroe County Legislature from 1977 until 1992. In her tenure as a County Legislator, she served as Chair of the Planning and Economic Development Committee, Vice Chair of the Ways and Means Committee and Assistant Majority Leader. Most notably, Joanne served as President of the Legislature from March to December of 1987. She is the first woman to have served the Monroe County Legislature in this position; and

*WHEREAS*, Joanne was an active and passionate community leader. She leaves a legacy of working hard for the rights of women, preserving the history of our community and advocating for the education and personal development of young people. She was actively involved with the Susan B. Anthony House, the Girl Scouts of Genesee Valley, Tri Delta, Landmark Society of Western New York, and many other organizations that serve our community; and

*WHEREAS*, Joanne will be remembered as a kind and dynamic leader who was active in our community for her entire life. She leaves behind her loving husband of 66 years, Theodore Van Zandt, MD; children, Theodore Van Zandt Jr. (Carey), Carol Van Zandt (Jack French), Connie Van Zandt and son, Timothy Van Zandt (Doris Escobar); grandchildren, Lauren and Alejandro VanZandt-Escobar, Theron Van Zandt; sister, Mary Dearden and many nieces and nephews.

*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.*

File No. 17-00\_\_\_\_



*Monroe County Legislature*

*Office of the President*

**ANTHONY J. DANIELE**  
PRESIDENT

May 2, 2017

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**Matter of Importance: Expressing Regret Of the Monroe County Legislature On The Recent Passing Of Former Monroe County Legislator and President Joanne Van Zandt**

Dear Ms. Christodaro:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me as President of the Monroe County Legislature by Section 545-24(A)(3) of the Rules of the Monroe County Legislature, I hereby declare the above matter of importance to be considered at the Tuesday, May 9, 2017 meeting of the Monroe County Legislature.

Please inform the members of the Legislature accordingly. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Anthony J. Daniele  
President  
Monroe County Legislature