RESOLUTION NO. 49

HONORING JOHN J. MCNULTY, JR. AND EXPRESSING SYMPATHY TO THE MCNULTY FAMILY

Introduced: 2/8/10
By Mr. Ward and the Albany County Legislature:

WHEREAS, Albany County lost one of its most respected and beloved public servants and governmental leaders with the death of the Honorable John J. McNulty, Jr. on December 28, 2009 at the age of 87, and

WHEREAS, Jack will be remembered as having represented everything that is good and honest about public service and having served the public to the best of his ability for six decades, and

WHEREAS, Jack was a lifelong resident of the Village of Green Island and graduated from St. Joseph’s School in Green Island, LaSalle Institute in Troy, class of 1939, attended Holy Cross College in Worcester, Massachusetts and was a graduate of Renouard Training School for Embalmers in New York City, and

WHEREAS, Jack served in the U. S. Navy in the Pacific Theatre during World War II, and upon his return from service in 1945, he established McNulty Funeral Home in Green Island, and

WHEREAS, His considerable people skills and an abiding interest in government led him in 1949 into elective politics as the Green Island Town Supervisor and he served in that office until being elected Mayor of the Village of Green Island in 1957 where he served as such until he was elected Sheriff of Albany County in 1974, and

WHEREAS, Jack returned to serve as Mayor of his community from 1983 to 1985 and again from 1992 until retiring from the office on December 31, 2002 when his daughter, Ellen was appointed to succeed him, and

WHEREAS, Jack also served as a member of the NYS Commission of Corrections from 1985 until 1989; trustee and vice chairman of the Green Island Power Authority from 1988 until 2005 when he was appointed special consultant for governmental affairs; and chairman of the Green Island IDA from 1979 until 2003, and

WHEREAS, Jack was involved in Democratic politics from the time he was a young boy, learning from his father who was responsible for changing Green Island to a “Democratic town”; Jack served as the chairman of the Green Island
Democratic Committee for decades and was a member of the Albany County Democratic Committee, where he served in several capacities over the years and was a mentor, trusted advisor, and inspiration to many, and

WHEREAS, Throughout his distinguished service to the community, Jack McNulty set an outstanding example for those who follow in his footsteps, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That on behalf of all of the citizens of Albany County, the Albany County Legislature extends its heartfelt sympathies to the family of the Honorable John J. McNulty, Jr. on his passing, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution suitably embossed be delivered to the family of the Honorable John J. McNulty, Jr. to symbolize the condolences of this Honorable Body.

Adopted by unanimous vote. 2/8/10