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OC Legislature Recognizes Outstanding Contributions of William Uszenski *Florida, NY Senior an Honoree at NYS Senior Citizens Day*

GOSHEN – The Orange County Legislature was proud to honor Florida resident William Uszenski’s contributions to the Orange County community at a meeting of the full legislature. Uszenski was recognized as an Orange County honoree at the New York State Senior Citizen’ Day, sponsored by the New York State Office for the Aging. Chairman of the Orange County Legislator, Michael R. Pillmeier, nominated Uszenski for his advocacy on behalf of seniors and for providing needed support services and activities that enhance the lives of County seniors.

“Bill Uszenski is truly an asset to our community and the people who live here,” said Chairman Pillmeier. “As a member of the Florida Fire Department, Meals on Wheels delivery person, and baseball coach – to name just a few of his many volunteer endeavors – Bill has generously shared his time and talent in service to others. I am proud to know Bill and privileged to call him a friend,” the Chairman added.

Representing her father, New York State Senator John Bonacic, Orange County Legislator and Majority Leader Melissa Bonacic presented a proclamation to Mr. Uszenski from the Senator. “Senior Citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today’s society. Their contributions are vital and valuable to the fabric of our community,” Ms. Bonacic read aloud. “William Uszenski, a very active and industrious man, has inspired and enriched the lives of many through his love and respect for others, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest,” Ms. Bonacic continued.

Mr. Uszenski delivered Meals on Wheels for more than 30 years. He is a Eucharist minister and trustee at St. Joseph’s Church in Florida and was part of the Holy Name Society for 46 years, helping with church repairs and fundraising. He has been a member of the Florida Fire Department for 44 years and has placed flags at cemeteries where firemen are buried for more than 15 years. A member of the Seward Seniors where he serves on the Executive Committee, Uszenski was named Citizen of the Year at the Florida Fun Fest in 2009.

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Majority leader of the Orange County Legislature Melissa Bonacic, Orange County Legislative Chairman Michael R. Pillmeier, and outstanding New York State senior citizen William Uszenski of Florida, NY.