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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Walter J. Gable upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2013 Convention Days Community Service Award

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Walter J. Gable has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Walter J. Gable upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2013 Convention Days Community Service Award, to be celebrated on Friday, July 19, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Walter J. Gable, the son of Irving James and Elma Demont Gable, has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, In 1968, Walter J. Gable graduated cum laude from Syracuse University, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Studies Education; he went on to receive his Master's degree in 1972; and

WHEREAS, Walter J. Gable, a life-long resident of Seneca County, began his 30 year career teaching social studies for the Seneca Falls Central School District in 1970, where he served as Social Studies Department Chair for nine years; and

WHEREAS, In 2000, Walter J. Gable became an adjunct instructor and supervisor of student teachers, at Hobart and William Smith College; in addition, he worked for ten years as a social studies consultant for the State Education Department, assisting in all phases of the development

of various social studies assessments, and conducting various workshops;
and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Walter J. Gable received several special awards and accolades, including the New York State Distinguished Social Studies Educator Award in 2001; he served as the founding President in the Wayne-Finger Lakes Council for the Social Studies, and was the recipient of its Outstanding Secondary Social Studies Educator Award; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Walter J. Gable was actively involved in the New York State Council for the Social Studies, and through the years served as President, Vice-President, Chairperson of the Exhibits, Sites, and Awards Committees, as well as serving on the Board of Directors for many years; he also served for several years, as a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Education Association of New York; and

WHEREAS, Today, Walter J. Gable works as Seneca County Historian, and is Secretary of the Seneca Falls Historical Society Board of Trustees; an avid musical theater fan, he is also the Secretary of the Empire State Theatre and Musical Instrument Museum Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he is the author of THE SENECA ARMY DEPOT: FIGHTING WARS FROM THE NEW YORK HOME FRONT, a 2011 publication of THE HISTORY PRESS, as well as author of several articles as Seneca County Historian in the REVEILLE/BETWEEN THE LAKES, and the FINGER LAKES TIMES;
and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Walter J. Gable has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Walter J. Gable has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our atten-

tion, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Walter J. Gable upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2013 Convention Days Community Service Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Walter J. Gable.