

## 2013-K673

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Judith Pearce upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Weekend of Chamber Music

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Judith Pearce upon the occasion of her retirement after 19 years of distinguished service to the Weekend of Chamber Music; and

WHEREAS, The Weekend of Chamber Music (WCM) seeks to present chamber music as a vital art to a broad cross section of the Sullivan County, New York, community and beyond, reaching out to engage people of all ages and cultures; and

WHEREAS, For the past 19 years, Judith Pearce rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to this fine organization, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of her peers and colleagues; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as Artistic Director, Judith Pearce served with creativity, honor and distinction, governed by a keen sense of mission, and always possessed of a unique grasp of human problems in her official acts; and

WHEREAS, Under Judith Pearce's radiant leadership, WCM has made numerous significant cultural and educational contribution to the Sullivan County community, and the organization is considered a well-regarded citizen of the area's cultural life; and

WHEREAS, Judith Pearce's tenure is particularly distinguished by her innovative education projects, generating collaborations and partnerships that have included all eight of the county's school districts,

other area cultural institutions such as the Liberty Museum and the Catskill Art Society, and scores of professional performing artists, enhancing the lives of hundreds of students in grades K-12, as well as their teachers and families, annually; and

WHEREAS, In addition, WCM has cultural offerings for the broader community; the annual Summer Festival has provided the area with chamber music concerts of unparalleled quality, with an all-embracing range of programming and rave reviews from the public and the press; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Judith Pearce upon the occasion of her retirement after 19 years of distinguished service to the Weekend of Chamber Music; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Judith Pearce.