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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Dutchess County Agricultural Society, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting the Dutchess County Fair on August 20-25, 2013

WHEREAS, The quality of life of the citizens of the State of New York is greatly enriched by the immense diversity of the cultural, educational, recreational and entertainment opportunities and events available throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the The Dutchess County Agricultural Society, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting the Dutchess County Fair on August 20-25, 2013; and WHEREAS, The Dutchess County Fair is held annually in Rhinebeck, New York; being one of the town's largest and most popular events, each year, it takes place at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds; and WHEREAS, A tradition for over 160 years, the annual Dutchess County Fair is an event like no other; nationally recognized for its agriculture, food and vendors, the fair draws approximately half a million people per year, and is the second largest county Fair in New York State; and

WHEREAS, What makes this particular event special is that each year gardeners enhance the character of the 162-acre fairgrounds with dozens of themed gardens; waterfalls and ponds filled with koi and colorful water lilies add significantly to the Horticulture Center; and WHEREAS, In addition, one can find relaxation in the quietude of the new Memorial Garden, along with a walk through the Horticulture Building; the Dutchess County Fair affords an opportunity to showcase not only agriculture, but also all that is best about its past; and WHEREAS, The treasured values of families united and wholesome enter-

tainment for all ages reflected at the Dutchess County Fair help to foster community spirit and cooperation; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the The Dutchess County Agricultural Society, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting the Dutchess County Fair on August 20-25, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the The Dutchess County Agricultural Society, Inc.