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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating Bagel Grove for 25 years as a successful local business

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those small businesses within the State of New York which contribute to the economic health and vitality of the communities they serve; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate Bagel Grove for 25 years as a successful local business on Saturday, September 21, 2013 during its Anniversary Celebration; and WHEREAS, Bagel Grove, Utica's Authentic Bagelry, is in its second generation of local ownership and continues to grow both in serving fresh bagels to the greater Utica area, and in its employment of local residents; and

WHEREAS, During the past 25 years, Bagel Grove has expanded to serve over 500 dozen bagels a day, delivered in a 50-mile radius through wholesale accounts to colleges, hospitals and businesses, as well as through breakfast and lunch at its retail store in Utica, New York; and WHEREAS, Since its humble beginnings, Bagel Grove's bagels have been made from scratch and authentically boiled and baked fresh every day; and

WHEREAS, Employing 20 area residents, Bagel Grove strives to create an empowering and positive working environment by providing exceptional benefits extending far beyond businesses typically in its sector; and WHEREAS, Through the years, Bagel Grove has remained a stable occupant in its South Utica neighborhood amidst several vacancies and turn-overs in the surrounding retail outlets; and

WHEREAS, Committed to its original location, Bagel Grove's value of supporting the local economy is also evidenced by its decision to source all contractors and supplies from locally-owned businesses; and WHEREAS, This momentous occasion will be celebrated at Bagel Grove's newly renovated retail store with family-friendly games, contests, prizes and live music by local musicians; and WHEREAS, Small businesses such as Bagel Grove exert a strong, positive influence on the communities they serve and are a crucial element in the economy of New York State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate Bagel Grove for 25 years as a successful local business; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bagel Grove.