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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Eugene Raponi upon the occasion of his retirement after 36 distinguished years of public service to the Town of Forestburgh

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens who demonstrate great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Eugene Raponi upon the occasion of his retirement after 36 distinguished years of public service to the Town of Forestburgh; and

WHEREAS, This momentous occasion was celebrated on Thursday, December 5, 2013 with the presentation of a plaque, words of praise from both residents and peers, and a certificate of recognition for decades of service to Forestburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Raponi, affectionately known as Gene, spent six years of his esteemed career serving on the Forestburgh Planning Board, as well as four years as an Environmental Chair, a physically demanding job collecting data on New York City's releases from the Neversink Reservoir into the Neversink River; and

WHEREAS, Respectfully known for his bravery in standing alone on the tough issues, Gene Raponi served as a Forestburgh Town Councilman for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, During his retirement, Gene Raponi plans to attend future

Town Board meetings, and will continue his service on the Board of Directors of Action Towards Independence; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Eugene Raponi upon the occasion of his retirement after 36 distinguished years of public service to the Town of Forestburgh; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Eugene Raponi.