

## 2013-J2754

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Alex's Place of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as the recipient of the 2013 Service Business of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are enhanced by the concerned and dedicated efforts of business organizations and individuals that generously contribute to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Alex's Place of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as the recipient of the 2013 Service Business of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce; this momentous occasion will be celebrated at the Chamber's Annual Awards Ceremony on Saturday, February 22, 2014, at the Clarion Hotel; and

WHEREAS, For 25 years, Alex's Place has been serving delicious char-grilled favorites along with a wonderful blend of American steakhouse specialties and Italian classics to satisfied guests, not only from the Batavia area, but the Buffalo and Rochester communities as well; and

WHEREAS, Originally a small one-room track stop for local racers and players, Alex's Place offered guests classic comfort foods; as the restaurant grew in popularity, the building and menu also expanded; now a 100-seat restaurant with an open kitchen design, guests are welcomed from all over Western New York; and

WHEREAS, Known for their baby back ribs, Alex's Place won The Roc City Rib Fest People's Choice Award for Best Ribs in 2010, 2011, and 2012; these famous ribs are now available nationwide, and are sold in grocery

stores throughout New York State; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Gray, owner of Alex's Place since 2007, has shown a strong commitment not only to his establishment, but also to the Batavia community; he enrolled in Leadership Genesee, a program to educate business owners, as well as their staff, on the importance of self-growth and community awareness; and

WHEREAS, Subsequently, through this commitment, Alex's Place has become a destination that is enjoyed by Genesee County patrons, and customers from all parts of the country; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Alex's Place of Batavia, New York; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Alex's Place of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as the recipient of the 2013 Service Business of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Matthew Gray, Alex's Place, Batavia, New York.