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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Neil Golub upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Sidney R. Rabb Award by the Food Marketing Institute

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging the outstanding achievements of its esteemed residents; and WHEREAS, Neil Golub was honored by the Food Marketing Institute with the Sidney R. Rabb Award, its highest honor, during its executive conference in Phoenix, Arizona, on January 11, 2014; and WHEREAS, Neil is a graduate of the University of Michigan and Michigan State University; he also earned a Master's degree from Cornell University and an honorary doctorate for Public Service from Russell Sage College; and

WHEREAS, He currently serves as Executive Chairman of Price Chopper Supermarkets; and

WHEREAS, Neil is being recognized for his extraordinary efforts in revitalizing downtown Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, His selection of downtown Schenectady for Price Chopper's new multi-million dollar headquarters was a tremendous contribution to economic development in the city; the building is Gold-certified by the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design program and is built on a brownfield site; and WHEREAS, Neil was also instrumental in the development of Schenectady 2000 and the creation of the Schenectady County Metroplex Development Authority, which has generated a substantial amount in new private and public investment and a major upgrade to downtown Schenectady; and WHEREAS, He is also being recognized for the philanthropic work he does with his wife, Jane; they have tirelessly contributed their time and generously contributed to numerous organizations, including the

Anti-Defamation League, United Way, Special Olympics, Breast Cancer Research Foundation, Double H Ranch, and the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Association telethon; and

WHEREAS, Neil and his beloved wife, Jane, are the proud parents of Mona Golub, and the loving grandparents of one grandson, Ira; and WHEREAS, Neil has exhibited the true spirit of this prestigious award through his tireless dedication and valuable contributions to the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Neil Golub upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Sidney R. Rabb Award by the Food Marketing Institute; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Neil Golub.