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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2013 Women of the Year Award by The Professional Women of Sullivan County

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special honor; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2013 Women of the Year Award by The Professional Women of Sullivan County, to be celebrated at its Woman of the Year Dinner, on Sunday, November 3, 2013, at the Eagle's Nest, Bloomingburg, New York; and

WHEREAS, Danielle Gaebel, a long-time Sullivan County resident, began working with the County's business community in 1997 at the SULLIVAN DEMOCRAT; she currently serves as Assistant Publisher and Executive Director of THE RIVER REPORTER where her commitment and leadership qualities shine through; and

WHEREAS, Active within her community, Danielle Gaebel is on the Steering Committee for Sullivan Renaissance, a Master Gardener for Cornell Cooperative Extension, and Market Manager for the Sullivan County Farmers' Markets Association; in addition, she was honored by Sullivan County Community College as one of the Women Who Make a Difference; and WHEREAS, A graduate of SUNY Geneseo with a Bachelor's degree in Sociology, Jennifer Bitetto is originally from the Hudson Valley; she is Treasurer for the St. Francis Children's Shop in White Lake, and serves as Market Assistant for the Sullivan County Farmers' Markets Association; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Bitetto came to THE RIVER REPORTER in 2006 to join the Sales Department as an Advertising Consultant; her professional experience, enthusiasm and humor have made her a vital asset to the sales team and the Sullivan County business community; and WHEREAS, Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto started NaturalContents.com in 2010 as an online marketplace and blog, and in 2012 began The Natural Contents' Kitchen, which provides regionally sourced organic prepared food to Sullivan and Wayne Counties; and WHEREAS, The dedication, character, knowledge, and organizational skills exemplified by these two women have allowed The Natural Contents' Kitchen to support 9-15 farms within the community; they work to promote community connection, and inspire others to lead a healthier lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto upon the occasion of their

designation as recipients of the 2013 Women of the Year Award by The Professional Women of Sullivan County; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Danielle Gaebel and Jennifer Bitetto.