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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Ray Makowski upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pride of Rosendale Award by the Town of Rosendale, New York

WHEREAS, The unity of our State and Nation is built upon the compassion of good Samaritans, who uphold the values of community life and who, through their great actions, epitomize the best of humanity; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the concerned and heroic acts of those citizens who would voluntarily take immediate action to protect the safety 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 Ray Makowski upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pride of Rosendale Award by the Town of Rosendale, New York; he was recognized at a Town Board meeting on Wednesday, March 12, 2014; and WHEREAS, Ray Makowski received this auspicious honor for providing police with information which led to the arrest of an individual accused of burglarizing a home; and

WHEREAS, Ray Makowski observed a suspicious vehicle and individual in the driveway of a neighbor's home; without thinking of his safety, he confronted the individual, getting his license plate number and other identifying information; and

WHEREAS, This brave man contacted his town police, who in turn put a call out to other law enforcement agencies to watch for the vehicle; and WHEREAS, Ray Makowski's quick and astute actions allowed the burglar to be apprehended quickly, and some of his neighbor's property to be recovered; and

WHEREAS, Through his voluntary response as a concerned citizen, committed to safeguarding the safety and welfare of his neighbors and

community, Ray Makowski has unselfishly contributed to the advancement of that spirit of united purpose and shared concern which is the cornerstone of community life in this State and Nation; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Ray Makowski upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pride of Rosendale Award by the Town of Rosendale, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ray Makowski.