

## 2013-J4602

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Patricia Arnold upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the New York Chapter of the Wildlife Society's 2014 Outstanding Conservationist Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the continuing welfare of the citizens of the State of New York is greatly enriched and reliably served by the purposeful endeavors of individuals who are committed to the preservation of our natural environment and the enhancement of the appreciation of the distinctive features of our surroundings, and to the economic well-being of the areas in which they exist; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Patricia Arnold upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the New York Chapter of the Wildlife Society's 2014 Outstanding Conservationist Award; and

WHEREAS, The Outstanding Conservationist Award is presented to an individual who works to make significant contributions to the field of wildlife management, furthering public understanding of wildlife and taking action to enhance the wildlife resources in New York State; and

WHEREAS, With a lifetime of appreciation for wildlife, Patricia Arnold is undoubtedly deserving of this honor and since growing up on a farm and being immersed in wildlife, she has developed a passion for all things related to the outdoors; and

WHEREAS, One of the main achievements in the field of outdoor recreation for which Patricia Arnold is being honored, the founding of a Youth Trappers Camp, now duly named the Pat Arnold Youth Trappers Camp, which has been sponsored by the New York State Trappers Association; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Patricia Arnold has been involved in a number of

other activities related to the outdoors, including the Girl Scouts of America, serving as chairwoman for the Bonaparte Trail Neighborhood, Camp Friendship, Jefferson County Trappers Association, serving on the Wildlife Management Board, and serving as past president of the Natural Bridge Area Civic Club, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of her efforts to encourage others to enjoy the outdoors and nature, Patricia Arnold has received numerous accolades including being inducted into the Outdoorsman Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, With a passion for wildlife and the outdoors, Patricia Arnold has used her leadership qualities and vision to make a difference in her community as well as the North Country community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Patricia Arnold upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the New York Chapter of the Wildlife Society's 2014 Outstanding Conservationist Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Patricia Arnold.