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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Brad Rutledge upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Young Emerging Leader Award by the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the leaders of commerce and industry whose accomplishments contribute to the economic health and prosperity of the communities of the State of New York, and whose purposeful endeavors as involved members of the community serve to enhance the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Brad Rutledge upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Young Emerging Leader Award by the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce; this auspicious occasion was celebrated at the Chamber's 23rd Annual Pride Awards Gala on Sunday, May 4, 2014, at the Villa Roma Resort, Callicoon, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce is dedicated to bringing together the business and professional interests of Sullivan County, helping them to accomplish collectively what none could do individually; the organization is focused on the growth and retention of its member businesses, serving as a point of contact and center of information, facilitation and exchange; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce recognizes certain individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the local economy, to the goals of the Chamber, and to the quality of life in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, Brad Rutledge has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given

of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of the University of Cincinnati, Brad Rutledge is a Nationwide Insurance Agent with the Keats Agency in Monticello, New York; and

WHEREAS, Originally from the Cincinnati, Ohio, area, this esteemed man married Jackie Weyer of Monticello in 2001; after several visits to Sullivan County, he fell in love with the region, settling with his wife in Cochecton, New York, where they have resided ever since; and WHEREAS, Brad Rutledge is committed to taking part in the revitalization of Sullivan County by working diligently on behalf of his clients, going above and beyond what is expected to provide outstanding coverage and contributing to the betterment of his community; and WHEREAS, Brad Rutledge is co-chair of the Young Emerging Leaders, a Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce task force, and is a member of the Chamber's Board of Directors; furthermore, he serves on the board of the SullivanArc Foundation; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Brad Rutledge has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which this remarkable man has displayed throughout his life; and WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 Brad Rutledge upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Young Emerging Leader Award by the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brad Rutledge.