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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Brad Rutledge upon the occasion of his selection as a Young Professional Up and Comer in the Business Community by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young adults within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and WHEREAS, Brad Rutledge has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Brad Rutledge upon the occasion of his selection as a Young Professional Up and Comer in the Business Community by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT; and WHEREAS, Brad Rutledge, Cochecton resident, musician, and Associate Agent at Keats Agency, was selected for this esteemed recognition for being hardworking, ambitious, and creative; and WHEREAS, After graduating from Colerain High School, Cincinnati, in 1993, Brad Rutledge attended the University of Cincinnati; while there, he began pursuing a job in sales for four months, before he was recruited as a loan officer for a mortgage company; and WHEREAS, After many years spent in mortgages, Brad Rutledge obtained his insurance license, and went on to work for Allstate Insurance; and WHEREAS, Later, after making the move to Sullivan County, Brad Rutledge joined the Keats Agency as a Nationwide Insurance Agent; in 2006, he had the opportunity to expand his insurance knowledge by working with a local wholesale insurance agency; six years later, he went

back to Keats Agency as an Associate Agent; and

WHEREAS, With an insatiable thirst for knowledge, Brad Rutledge continuously seeks opportunities to enhance his knowledge in the insurance field to better serve his clients; and

WHEREAS, A man who takes pride in working for Keats Agency, Brad Rutledge is expertly in tune to his customers' needs, and truly enjoys customizing insurance programs to fit each person or business; and WHEREAS, A singer and rhythm guitarist for the popular local band "Far Beyond Gone," Brad Rutledge also gives back to his community as co-chair of the Young Emerging Leaders, a Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce task force, and sits on the Chamber Board of Directors, and the SullivanArc Foundation Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Jackie, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; 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 selection as a Young Professional Up and Comer in the Business Community by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brad Rutledge.