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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Connie's Diner upon the occasion of celebrating 25 years of business on May 10, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and businesses which substantially contribute to the economic vitality of their communities and the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Connie's Diner upon the occasion of celebrating 25 years of business on Saturday, May 10, 2014, in Waterloo, New York; and

WHEREAS, A chef at Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, Connie Caratozzolo opened Connie's Diner in April of 1989, in Waterloo, New York; along with her husband, Frank, and two of their children, Carmen and Maryann, she worked tirelessly in the kitchen with recipes handed down by her mother; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Paul Caratozzolo came on board, working alongside his brother, Carmen, and five years later, Connie Caratozzolo retired; and

WHEREAS, With its heavy vintage decor, and old fashioned ambiance, Connie's Diner has been filmed in movies, and occasionally visited by celebrities; and

WHEREAS, Today, Connie's Diner employs 38 individuals including nine family members; the entire staff and Caratozzolo family relish being a part of a family tradition whose patrons enjoy their exceptional service and delicious food; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to honor those businesses within the State of New York which distinguish themselves through outstanding professional behavior, corporate innovation, and

enduring commitment to the community; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business and its contributions to the local and State economies, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Connie's Diner upon the occasion of celebrating 25 years of business on Saturday, May 10, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Connie's Diner.