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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Tom's Greenhouses upon the occasion of celebrating its 60th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those prominent businesses of the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in its community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Tom's Greenhouses upon the occasion of celebrating its 60th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Tom Esposito, founder of Tom's Greenhouses, studied horticulture at SUNY Cobleskill before leaving to fight in the Korean War; upon his return home, in 1954, he bought and restored the abandoned greenhouse on Montgomery Street in Goshen, New York; and

WHEREAS, Along with his loving wife, Phyllis, Tom Esposito ran Tom's Greenhouses while raising three children, Gary, Steven and Carol, each of whom worked for the family business as kids, and during summers while in college; and

WHEREAS, For six decades, Tom's Greenhouses has been a greenhouse as well as a full-service florist; in the early years, before rapid transportation, the Esposito's cut flowers and grew the majority of their own holiday plants, such as lilies and poinsettias; and

WHEREAS, In 1992, Tom's son, Gary Esposito, took over the family business along with his wife, Jane, who today, does floral design along with the bookkeeping; Gary and Jane have three children, Melissa, Emily, and Thomas, who is named for his grandfather; and

WHEREAS, Proud to be carrying on the family tradition and committed to customer service, Gary Esposito continues to give jobs to local kids and

provide the community with everything they could need in the way of flowers, plants, shrubs, and trees; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and businesses of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Tom's Greenhouses' distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Tom's Greenhouses upon the occasion of celebrating its 60th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tom's Greenhouses, Goshen, New York.