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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Guy Stephenson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Wilmington Citizen of the Year award by the Whiteface Region Business and Tourism Center

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Guy Stephenson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Wilmington Citizen of the Year award by the Whiteface Regional Business and Tourism Center; this auspicious occasion was celebrated on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at the annual Community Dinner at the Hungry Trout Restaurant, Wilmington, New York; and

WHEREAS, Guy Stephenson has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, A native of Wilmington, Guy Stephenson retired from the state Olympic Regional Development Authority in July 2009, having worked at the Mount Van Hoevenberg sliding center for 30 years; he now dedicates his time to skiing and making his community a better place; and

WHEREAS, Guy Stephenson 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 member of numerous volunteer organizations, Guy Stephenson is a charter trustee of the Wilmington Historical Society and is also active on the town's Cemetery Committee, where his efforts have been vital in restoring damaged graves; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man is the current chairman of the Wilmington Fire District after serving ably as fire commissioner for over a decade;

and

WHEREAS, Guy Stephenson is also a major contributor to the Wilmington Historical Society's new book, WILMINGTON AND THE WHITEFACE REGION; he and several members of the society met regularly each week for months, working tirelessly to craft this book highlighting their area's rich history; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Guy Stephenson 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 Guy Stephenson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Wilmington Citizen of the Year award by the Whiteface Region Business and Tourism Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Guy Stephenson.