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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Wine & Dine for the Arts upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Civic Arts Patron Award by the Downtown Albany Business Improvement District on June 13, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Wine & Dine for the Arts upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Civic Arts Patron Award by the Downtown Albany Business Improvement District, to be celebrated at its Sculpture in the Streets Garden Party, Keys to the City event on Friday, June 13, 2014, in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award is named in recognition of longtime and comprehensive support of the Arts in the Capital Region as well as Downtown; and

WHEREAS, Wine & Dine for the Arts is an all-volunteer organization whose mission is to provide sustainable funding for the support and preservation of the not-for-profit Arts community in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Through its Annual 3-day Food and Wine themed Festival that markets the local restaurants, chefs and innovative cuisine, Wine & Dine for the Arts educates consumers on healthy, sustainable agriculture and donates all net income directly to deserving non-profit Arts organizations; and

WHEREAS, Established in 2010, Wine & Dine for the Arts has already

raised significant funds for Arts organizations in the City of Albany including Albany Center Gallery, Albany Barn, the Palace Theater, Capital Repertory Theatre, Albany Symphony Orchestra and Park Playhouse; and WHEREAS, This occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Wine & Dine for the Arts; and WHEREAS, In so effectively carrying out its mission, Wine & Dine for the Arts has demonstrated the value of supporting and preserving the local Arts community; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations 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; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Wine & Dine for the Arts upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Civic Arts Patron Award by the Downtown Albany Business Improvement District on June 13, 2014; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Wine & Dine for the Arts.