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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Patti (Owens) Gessner upon the occasion of her induction into the Port Jervis High School Alumni Hall of Fame in October 2014

WHEREAS, Individuals who distinguish themselves in their profession and in service to their community merit the highest commendation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor

Patti (Owens) Gessner upon the occasion of her induction into the Port Jervis High School Alumni Hall of Fame; her outstanding accomplishments will be recognized in October 2014, at the 2014 Port Jervis High School Alumni Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Banquet; and

WHEREAS, The Port Jervis High School Alumni Hall of Fame annually recognizes individuals educated in the Port Jervis City School District who have achieved personal success and have made significant contributions to society, thereby serving as role models to inspire current and future generations of Port Jervis students; and

WHEREAS, Patti (Owens) Gessner, Class of 1971, established a family business, "Al's Music Shop," along with her husband, Al, in 1988; the Port Jervis enterprise specializes in unique and hard to find musical instruments; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Patti (Owens) Gessner is actively engaged in the civic and cultural life of her community; she is President of the Depot Preservation Society, has run the Drew Methodist Church Food Pantry for more than 16 years, and has been an active member of the Broome Street Band since its inception in 1988; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the 2014 Hall of Fame Class, Patti (Owens) Gessner's name, photo, and biography will be inscribed on a plaque and placed on permanent display at Port Jervis High School, an ever-present

reminder to students of the doors opened by a strong education; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those individuals who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community, and demonstrate 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 Patti (Owens) Gessner upon the occasion of her induction into the Port Jervis High School Alumni Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Patti (Owens) Gessner.