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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien upon the occasion of their being named 2014 Businesspersons of the Year by the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce

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, Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien upon the occasion of their being named 2014 Businesspersons of the Year by the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce to be celebrated at an awards banquet on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at the Glenfield Fire Hall in Glenfield, New York; and

WHEREAS, Owners of the Town Hall Theater since 1990, Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien have contributed greatly to the cultural life of their community through presenting high quality entertainment in their lovingly maintained historic movie house; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, this esteemed couple has presented such special events as "Simple Servants: The Story of the Lewis County Mennonites", a sensory friendly showing of the movie "Frozen", and a screening of the local independent film "Get Out Alive", in conjunction with the Arts Community of Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien have dedicated significant time and resources to the preservation and enhancement of the Town Hall Theater, including the recent upgrade to a digital projection system, allowing them to continue to offer affordable, family-oriented cinema to

their patrons; and

WHEREAS, Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; they have been recognized for their generosity in giving free movie tickets and other donations to local causes, and for their promotion of community events; and WHEREAS, A member of numerous civic and professional organizations, Patricia L. O'Brien serves on the Lewis County Planning Board and is a member of the New York State Treasurers Association; and WHEREAS, Patrick A. O'Brien volunteers on the boards of Mountain View Prevention Services and the American Motorcycle Association; he is a past member of the Arts Community of Lewis County and Central New York Beekeepers Association; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; 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 Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien upon the occasion of being named 2014 Businesspersons of the Year by the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Patricia L. and Patrick A. O'Brien.