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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Doug Geed upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Long Island Farm Bureau Citizen Award on April 17, 2015

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 long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Doug Geed upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Long Island Farm Bureau Citizen Award, to be celebrated at its 97th Annual Awards Gala on Friday, April 17, 2015, at the Riverhead Polish Hall, Riverhead, New York; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised on Long Island, Doug Geed worked at WALK Radio in Patchogue as a reporter and anchor from 1981 until 1986, when he became one of the original members of News 12 Long Island, the country's first regional, 24-hour cable news television station; and WHEREAS, A graduate of Syosset High School and the University of Missouri School of Journalism, Doug Geed created News 12's East End Bureau in 1991, serving as bureau chief until 1997, when he became morning anchor; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, that same year, he created News 12's Emmy Award winning "East End Show" where he serves as producer, host and reporter; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man has received 10 New York Emmy Awards as well as dozens of other regional, state and local awards, including

Journalist of the Year from the Long Island chapter of the Society of

Professional Journalists; and

WHEREAS, Doug Geed has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; among the farming community, he is known for his unremitting and steadfast dedication to Long Island agriculture; and WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his loving wife, and their three beautiful children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Doug Geed has 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 Doug Geed upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Long Island Farm Bureau Citizen Award on April 17, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Doug Geed.