

## 2015-J1851

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Al Samuels and Debra E. Boening upon the occasion of their selection as Man and Woman of the Year at the Lincoln Day Victory Ball

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Al Samuels and Debra E. Boening upon the occasion of their selection as Man and Woman of the Year at the Lincoln Day Victory Ball, to be celebrated on Saturday, May 2, 2015, at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Suffern, New York; and

WHEREAS, Al Samuels and Debra E. Boening 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, A dedicated advocate for business retention and growth in his community, Al Samuels is the President and CEO of the Rockland Business Association, and the Director of Leadership Rockland; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Al Samuels is a member of the Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Council; and

WHEREAS, Debra E. Boening is the President and CEO of Oak Beverages Incorporated, and the Vice Chair of the Rockland Business Association; and

WHEREAS, A strong supporter of local businesses, Debra E. Boening is also an Executive Member of the New York State Beer Wholesaler's Association; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Al Samuels and Debra E. Boening 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 commend Al Samuels and Debra E. Boening upon the occasion of their selection as Man and Woman of the Year at the Lincoln Day Victory Ball; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Al Samuels and Debra E. Boening.