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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring John Buntich upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Community Impact Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Albany

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 John Buntich upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Community Impact Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Albany; this auspicious occasion was celebrated at the Boys & Girls Club of Albany's 7th Annual Red, White and Chocolate benefit on Thursday, November 13, 2014; and

WHEREAS, John Buntich is an operation director for the Ninety Nine restaurants and is responsible for the operations of seven restaurants in New York; he has been with the Ninety Nine for twenty years and currently oversees a team that consists of 30 managers and over 280 team members; and

WHEREAS, John Buntich has been involved with the Albany Boys & Girls Club for 11 years, many of those years, as a Board Member and prior Board Vice President; he and his teams in New York work directly to support the Boys & Girls Clubs of Albany, Rotterdam, Utica and Burlington, Vermont; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man helped the Ninety Nine develop and nurture its relationship with the Boys & Girls Clubs throughout the Northeast; he currently leads the team responsible for developing and executing plans for fundraising for the clubs; during October's Boys & Girls Club Month, the 104 Ninety Nine restaurants raised over \$550,000 which will go directly to the 70 clubs they are affiliated with; and WHEREAS, In 2014, John Buntich was invited by the Northeast Area Council of Boys & Girls Clubs of America to participate in their annual conference in Puerto Rico; he also represents the Albany Club at the area council in the capital region; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, John Buntich is a passionate fundraiser for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute and many local charities here in Upstate New York; 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 John Buntich upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Community Impact Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Albany; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John Buntich.