

## 2015-J1888

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Niko Niforatos upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Young Professionals Award by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young adults within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Niko Niforatos upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Young Professionals Award by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT; and

WHEREAS, Niko Niforatos, Owner and Operator of Niko's Auto Repair, LLC, was selected for this esteemed recognition for being hardworking, ambitious, and creative; and

WHEREAS, The son of George and Mary Niforatos, Niko Niforatos's first job was working with his father at G&N Lawn Care; while a student of Roscoe Central School, he took classes at BOCES for automotive repair, and started to fine tune his lifelong interest into a career path; and

WHEREAS, Niko Niforatos went on to join the Roscoe Rockland Volunteer Fire Department, where he currently serves as an interior firefighter; and

WHEREAS, Niko Niforatos continued his schooling at SUNY Delhi, and furthered his education at SUNY Morrisville where he focused on diesel mechanics; and

WHEREAS, Upon completing school, Niko Niforatos returned to his hometown of Roscoe, New York, and began working at the Monticello Central School District bus garage, where his primary responsibility included servicing the district's fleet of buses; and

WHEREAS, A young adult with an entrepreneur mentality, 23-year-old Niko Niforatos came across an opportunity to purchase a business where he had previously worked during the summers; he took it upon himself to invest into buying the business and renovating the property; and

WHEREAS, After a summer of cleaning and refurbishing the business, Niko's Auto Repair, LLC opened its doors on October 13, 2014; this hard-working mechanic was overjoyed by the supportive response of his community using his services; and

WHEREAS, Niko Niforatos enjoys the hard work and challenges of owning his own business at 23 years of age; together, he and his fiancée, Emily, continue to grow the business they relish being a part of in their hometown; 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 Niko Niforatos upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Young Professionals Award by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Niko Niforatos.