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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Eric Larsen upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Distinguished Citizen Award by the Chenango District Baden-Powell Council, Boy Scouts of America

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Eric Larsen upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Distinguished Citizen Award by the Chenango District Baden-Powell Council, Boy Scouts of America to be celebrated at its 30th Annual Award Banquet on Thursday, May 14, 2015, at the Canasawacta Country Club in Norwich, New York; and

WHEREAS, A prominent member of his community, Eric Larsen has helped to advance many worthwhile projects by bringing together disparate interests in a spirit of working together for a common good; and WHEREAS, Eric Larsen graduated from Norwich High School in 1974, and completed his bachelor's degree at Hartwick College in 1978; upon his return to Norwich, he worked for his father's real estate management business, and helped grow and expand the company; and WHEREAS, Eric Larsen has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors, and has always given of himself unstintingly; he served as President on the Chenango County Council of Arts and Norwich YMCA Board of Directors, and was a founding member and President of the Norwich Dollars for Scholars Chapter; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Eric Larsen has been a member of the Chenango

Memorial Hospital Foundation Board, and was also part of the Chenango County 2020 Commission, the Chenango County Bicentennial Committee, and the first Leadership Chenango Class; and

WHEREAS, An integral part of numerous community projects, Eric Larsen was instrumental in the construction and renovation of the center city parks; he has also led the Chenango Blues Festival for over 23 years; and

WHEREAS, Eric Larsen has been the recipient of numerous accolades for his outstanding service including the Harry Tecklenberg Leadership Award, the United Way Volunteer of the Year Award, the Community Planning Leadership Award, and the Arts Council's Business/Arts Enhancement Award; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his loving wife of 31 years, Pam, and their four children, Carrie, Lindsey, Rachel, and Alex, as well as two grandchildren, Sophia and Madeline, 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 professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Eric Larsen has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor, and has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues, family and friends; and WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Eric Larsen has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Eric Larsen upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of the 2015 Distinguished Citizen Award by the Chenango District Baden-Powell Council, Boy Scouts of America; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Eric Larsen.