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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 70th Anniversary of Casa Visco on June 30, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and businesses which substantially contribute to the economic vitality of their communities and the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of Casa Visco to be celebrated at a dinner held on Tuesday, June 30, 2015, at the Glen Sanders Mansion, in Scotia, New York; and

WHEREAS, Casa Visco is a third generation, family owned pizza and pasta sauce manufacturer located in New York State's Capital Region; and WHEREAS, In 1945, Carmella and Joseph Viscusi, Sr. started Viscusi Wholesale Grocers, Inc., a small wholesale grocery business which specialized in selling Italian food products to restaurants and grocery stores; and

WHEREAS, At the request of their customers, Carmella and Joseph started to bottle and sell Carmella's famous homemade spaghetti sauce under the name Casa Visco, working out of their home basement; and WHEREAS, Over the past 70 years, Casa Visco has grown substantially from its humble beginnings; it now operates a state-of-the-art automated facility, and its products are distributed across numerous states as well as internationally; and

WHEREAS, Today, Casa Visco continues its commitment to the highest standards of quality; a family member is still present to oversee each batch of sauces the company manufactures; and WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and accolades, Casa Visco's

emphasis on using the highest quality ingredients and homemade goodness has led to it being ranked the No. 1 DSD Brand Pizza sauce in all of New England; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Casa Visco; and WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business and its contributions to the local and State economies, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of Casa Visco on June 30, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Viscusi Family.