

## 2015-J3442

### LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 205th Anniversary of the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those illustrious journalistic entities which have diligently and consistently, year after year, recorded the history of their communities and brought local news to their readers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 205th Anniversary of the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT; and

WHEREAS, America's oldest weekly paper, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has been serving the people of Goshen, New York, since 1812; and

WHEREAS, For 205 years, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has been providing its loyal readers with news about its community; today, under the luminous leadership of Editor, Tom Leek, this valuable local news source has strived to provide uplifting stories and information about life in a small town; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Goshen appreciate reading about local births and deaths and all of the stuff that comes in between; they love to hear about neighbors helping neighbors, Eagle Scout ceremonies, Little League games, church suppers, and Memorial Day parades, as well as student honor rolls; and

WHEREAS, The diligent staff of the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT strive to maintain a high quality and relevant paper, deliver a superior product to all of its readers, and serve as an expressive voice to the people of Goshen by providing a platform for all members of its community; and

WHEREAS, Our newspapers provide a tremendous service to citizens across the State of New York by keeping them informed about current events; the democracy of our State and Nation is strengthened by a

responsible citizenry which is actively engaged in reading and kept abreast of news affecting their lives; and

WHEREAS, As the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT moves into the future, it carries with it the legacy of a distinguished journalistic history and an outstanding record of growth and achievement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 205th Anniversary of the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tom Leek, Editor, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT.