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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Michael Bel upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT 2016 Men at Work Edition

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Michael Bel has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Michael Bel upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT 2016 Men at Work Edition; and WHEREAS, A graduate of Johnson and Wales University, Michael Bel is the Director of the Culinary & Pastry Arts Program at Sullivan County Community College; for 30 years he has been in the commercial industry, 11 of those years at SUNY Sullivan; and

WHEREAS, Prior to this, Michael Bel has worked for the Ritz Carlton
Hotel Company, Walt Disney World Company, Hilton Hotels, and Trust House
Forte Hotels; and

WHEREAS, A third generation in the restaurant and hospitality industry, Michael Bel enjoys watching his students mature and refine their culinary skills and adores when his graduates contact him regarding their professional successes; and

WHEREAS, When he is not cooking or teaching, Michael Bel loves to be outdoors; in addition, all of his vacation spots are food knowledge-driven; he believes if you want to know how to make paella, you go to Spain; a croissant, sauces or charcuterie, you go to the south of France; or Peking duck, you go to Hong Kong; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Michael Bel has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 deliberation to honor Michael Bel upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT 2016 Men at Work Edition; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Michael Bel.