

## 2015-J5008

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Intersolar Global upon the occasion of celebrating its 25th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those events and organizations which are dedicated to increasing public awareness of, and appreciation for, the natural resources of New York, recognizing the role all citizens have in protecting the environment and the quality of life in this Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Intersolar Global upon the occasion of celebrating its 25th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, For a quarter century, Intersolar Global has focused on the technologies and services which make solar power globally successful now and into the future; this vital event strives to increase the share of solar power in the global energy supply by creating connections in the industry around the world; and

WHEREAS, In 1991, Intersolar Global was established to promote the development of solar technology; at Solar '91, an event organized by members of the Working Group for Environmental Technology in Pforzheim, Germany, five solar companies presented their products as part of a small exhibition with presentations on the use of solar energy; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, interest in solar technology grew; more and more exhibitors and people attended the event, and consequently, the venue changed several times to adjust to the number of interested visitors; in 2011, at its 20-year Anniversary, Intersolar Europe attracted 2,286 exhibitors and 76,738 visitors; and

WHEREAS, After its success in Europe, Intersolar North America was founded in San Francisco in 2008, Intersolar India in Mumbai followed the next year, and Intersolar China in 2011, as well as Intersolar South

America in 2013; these global events are complemented by the Intersolar Summits taking place in emerging and growing markets worldwide; and WHEREAS, For the last five years, approximately 20,000 conference attendees have discussed current industry topics and debated technological, market and political developments at the global Intersolar Conferences; and

WHEREAS, On March 24, 2016, the 3rd Annual Intersolar North East Conference was held at the Brooklyn Marriott Hotel, where attendance doubled after it was moved from New Jersey to New York; and

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon all citizens to recognize and applaud the efforts of organizations such as Intersolar Global which are dedicated to educating the public about the advantages and facts of solar energy, and envision a solar-powered future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Intersolar Global upon the occasion of celebrating its 25th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Intersolar Global.