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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring George W. Kinne, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Young Professionals Award by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young adults within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor George W. Kinne, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Young Professionals Award by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT; and WHEREAS, George W. Kinne, Jr. was selected for this esteemed honor in recognition of his hard work, ambition, and creativity, as well as for his profound impact in and around the community of Sullivan County; and WHEREAS, An avid fisherman and a lover of hiking, George W. Kinne, Jr. is a man of many interests as well as an active member of the community; and

WHEREAS, George W. Kinne, Jr. has served on the Board of the Sullivan County Partnership for Economic Development for 10 years, while also serving on the Board of the Sullivan County Community College Foundation and the Board of Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan Counties; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed man is the President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) at Jeff Bank, Sullivan County's largest community bank, with a 34% market share and 12 branches; and WHEREAS, George W. Kinne, Jr. was raised in Roscoe, New York, where his parents owned and operated the Roscoe Motel located near the legendary Junction Pool; as an only child, he spent much of his time at the

motel, helping his parents and learning the trade of the business, which in turn inspired his career path in finance; and

WHEREAS, A finance graduate of Ithaca College, George W. Kinne, Jr. began his illustrious career shortly after graduation with Nations Bank in Charlotte, North Carolina, before it merged with Bank of America; and WHEREAS, Continually climbing the corporate ladder, George W. Kinne, Jr., then a Vice President with Bank of America, left his position in March of 2006, to make the move with his wife back to Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, With a multitude of experience under his belt, George W.

Kinne, Jr. quickly moved up through the ranks with Jeff Bank, beginning as Vice President/Commercial Lender to Senior Vice President/Senior Loan Officer, Executive Vice President, and now President and CEO; and WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, and their two children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 deliberations to honor George W. Kinne, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Young Professionals Award by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to George W. Kinne, Jr.