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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jennifer Mall Flad upon the occasion of her 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

Jennifer Mall Flad upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a Young Professionals Award by the SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT; and WHEREAS, A native of Callicoon Center, New York, Jennifer Mall Flad graduated from Jeffersonville-Youngsville Central School in 1994, and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she earned her Bachelor's degree in Peace, War and Defense; and WHEREAS, After graduating from college, Jennifer Mall Flad worked for a historical research firm in Washington, DC, focused on environmental cleanup litigation; she later served with the National Park Service at Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico, Black Canyon of the Gunnison in Colorado, Redwood in California, and Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller in Vermont; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Mall Flad also completed her Master's degree in Environment and Community via Humboldt State University before returning to Sullivan County to take a position as a Research Assistant in the Division of Planning in 2008; and

WHEREAS, While serving in the Sullivan County Division of Planning, this esteemed woman quickly rose through the ranks to become a junior planner and later, the County's agricultural planner; in this signif-

icant position, she gained deeper understanding of Sullivan County's farmers, growers and Agricultural supporters; and WHEREAS, In 2013, Jennifer Mall Flad was hired by the Sullivan County Industrial Development Agency (IDA), where she currently serves as the Vice President for Government Affairs and Business Development; and WHEREAS, During her illustrious tenure with the IDA, Jennifer Mall Flad has worked closely with businesses to develop incentives which can

help increase the economic health of her community while preserving the area's environment; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Mall Flad has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; she graciously gives of her time as a volunteer with the Cornell Cooperative Extension and as a member of their Ag Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Jennifer Mall Flad has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband Josh and their son, Charlie, both of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 Jennifer Mall Flad upon the occasion of her designation as recipi-

ent 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 Jennifer Mall Flad.