

## 2017-J1196

Senate Resolution No. 1196

BY: Senator LARKIN

HONORING Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc. upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by the Rockland Community Foundation on March 30, 2017

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals and businesses it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc. upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by the Rockland Community Foundation, to be celebrated at its Annual Signature Gala on Thursday, March 30, 2017, at the Hudson Water Club, West Haverstraw, New York; and

WHEREAS, Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc. is bestowed this auspicious honor in recognition of its values and commitment in supporting the mission of the Rockland Community Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Orange & Rockland (O&R) adopted "doing well by doing good" as one of its guiding corporate leadership principles many years ago; since that time, O&R has put those words into action through its strong support for community-based programs that make Rockland a stronger, more vibrant and successful community; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of its Manager of Strategic Partnerships Linda Feger, Orange & Rockland's rich culture of caring is also supported by an employee base that has taken both ownership and leadership of the company's corporate, charitable and civic donation program; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to its community, O&R employees give tirelessly of their time and energies to such endeavors as ambulance driving, firefighting and Little League coaching, as well as organizations such as United Way and the Rockland Community Foundation; and

WHEREAS, In addition, O&R employees volunteer countless hours each year to community-based efforts to save lives, protect property, teach children and comfort the needy; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished history, Orange & Rockland has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of Orange & Rockland is in direct correlation to the efforts of its staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the business and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when businesses of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc. upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by the Rockland Community Foundation on March 30, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc.