

## 2017-J2228

Senate Resolution No. 2228

BY: Senator KENNEDY

COMMENDING Community Beer Works upon the occasion of winning the 2017 TAP New York Governors' Brewers' Cup

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those businesses within the State of New York which distinguish themselves through outstanding professional behavior, corporate innovation, and enduring commitment to the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Community Beer Works upon winning the Governors' Brewers' Cup at TAP New York's Craft Beer and Food Festival held April 29-30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, TAP New York started in 1998 as the Hudson Valley Beer and Food Festival; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, the scope of the event was extended to include the entire state of New York; craft brewers from Long Island to Buffalo were invited, and the name TAP New York was born; and

WHEREAS, Over 170 breweries and brewpubs were invited to participate in TAP New York in 2017, and over 120 breweries poured over 400 craft beers; and

WHEREAS, Three cups and numerous medals are presented at the beer tasting competition; the Matthew Vassar Brewers' Cup recognizes the Best Craft Beer Brewery in the Hudson Valley, the F.X. Matt Memorial Cup goes to the Best Craft Beer Brewery in New York State, and the Governors' Cup honors the best individual beer in New York State; and

WHEREAS, Community Beer Works won the Governors' Brewers' Cup for their Whale Brown Ale at the TAP New York's Craft Beer and Food Festival held April 29-30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Ethan Cox, Dan Conley and Gregory Patterson-Tanski established Community Beer Works, the first nano-brewery in Buffalo, New York; on April 20, 2012, their first beers were launched at Cole's and Mister Goodbar in Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, Community Beer Works' "The IPA" was awarded 2nd Place in the Brewing News' National IPA Championship, and was named the Best New Brewery in New York State at the Annual RateBeer Best Awards Banquet and Beer Festival; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges Community Beer Works' success, recognizes its contributions to the local and State economies, and extends its highest commendation to the nano-brewery and its employees, fully confident that it will enjoy the same sparkling success it has enjoyed thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Community Beer Works upon the occasion of winning the 2017 TAP New York Governors' Brewers' Cup; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Ethan Cox, Dan Conley, and Gregory Patterson-Tanski,  
Owners, Community Beer Works.