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Senate Resolution No. 5360

BY: Senator SEWARD

COMMENDING MARK Project Inc. upon the occasion of celebrating its 40th Anniversary on May 27, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the achievements of individuals, organizations, and businesses which contribute substantially to the economic health and vitality of the communities of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend MARK Project Inc. upon the occasion of its 40th Anniversary to be celebrated at a gala on Sunday, May 27, 2018, at the Roxbury Barn & Estate, in Roxbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, MARK Project Inc. is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt rural development company which unites efforts and secures resources to build and revitalize its communities which include the towns of Andes, Bovina, Middletown, Roxbury and Shandaken, and the villages of Fleischmanns and Margaretville; and

WHEREAS, The MARK Project works on economic development efforts in the areas of entrepreneurship, Main Street revitalization, outdoor recreation and tourism, arts and culture, agriculture and forest products and alternative health and healing and on the business and social activities which support and sustain its communities; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the MARK Project offers income eligible owner occupied housing repair and homeownership programs; and

WHEREAS, For four decades, the MARK Project has strived to improve the lives of those who live and work in the Catskills area, and to create an attractive destination for those who visit; it has also worked to build the capacity of individuals, organizations, businesses and municipalities and provide resources that help them achieve their own pre-determined goals; and

WHEREAS, The success of the MARK Project is in direct correlation to the efforts of Executive Director Peg Ellsworth, and her 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 institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges the MARK Project's success, recognizes its contributions to the local and state economies, and extends its highest commendation to the company and its employees, fully confident that, in its future, it will enjoy the same success which has so characterized its past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the MARK Project Inc. upon the occasion of celebrating its 40th Anniversary on May 27, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Peg Ellsworth, executive director, MARK Project Inc.