

## 2019-J62

Senate Resolution No. 62

BY: Senator HELMING

HONORING Finger Lakes Textiles upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2018 Business of the Year Award by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce on January 18, 2019

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and businesses that contribute substantially to the economic vitality of their communities, thereby enhancing economic well-being of the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Finger Lakes Textiles upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2018 Business of the Year Award by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony on Friday, January 18, 2019, at Club 86 in Geneva, New York; and

WHEREAS, Located in Waterloo, New York, Finger Lakes Textiles was established in 1995, as an affiliate of Seneca Cayuga Arc; today, the business has grown into one of the region's leading manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, Best known for its line of winter hats, Finger Lakes Textiles produces 100% "Made in America" products; each month, the company ships thousands of merchandise to customers all over the world;

the business is also a major producer for both the United States military and the Department of Corrections; and

WHEREAS, To facilitate their substantial growth trajectory, a major expansion is underway at Finger Lakes Textiles; in 2018, the company started renovations on their facility which will provide more room for production and warehousing as well as the purchase of a new digital cutting machine to expand and enhance their product line; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the company launched "Arctic Gear", allowing the business to commercialize its products to a much larger audience; a promotional video featuring celebrity endorsements took the internet by storm, going viral days after its launch; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished history, Finger Lakes Textiles has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of Finger Lakes Textiles is in direct correlation to the efforts of its hardworking and dedicated 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 with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business, its contributions to the local and state economies, and its vibrant role in improving the quality of life in its community, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy

the sparkling successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Finger Lakes Textiles upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2018 Business of the Year Award by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce on January 18, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Finger Lakes Textiles.