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Senate Resolution No. 23

BY: Senator PALUMBO

HONORING Osprey's Dominion upon the occasion of its designation as a Gold Medalist by the New York Wine and Grape Foundation on July 12, 2022

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 the 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 Osprey's Dominion upon the occasion of its designation as a Gold Medalist by the New York Wine and Grape Foundation at its 36th Annual New York Wine Classic on Tuesday, July 12, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The 36th Annual New York Wine Classic is a nationally recognized competition highlighting the best of New York's wine; and

WHEREAS, Seeing an unprecedented growth over the past few years and allowing wine enthusiasts to enjoy this unique part of the New York experience across the state, this extraordinary vineyard has truly showcased why New York State is a premier wine destination; and

WHEREAS, Osprey's Dominion was awarded for its 2013 Reserve, Merlot; 2014 Merlot; 2015 Cabernet Franc, Platinum Medal, Best Cabernet Franc;

2015 Cabernet Sauvignon; 2015 Flight Meritage, Best Red Blend Vinifera; 2015 Reserve, Merlot; and 2020 Reserve, Pinot Gris; and

WHEREAS, Ninety acres of vinifera grapes grow under the watchful eye of the soaring Osprey, the vineyard's namesake; and

WHEREAS, The Long Island wine region is located at approximately the same latitude as the great wine-growing regions of France; Osprey's Dominion's location (being surrounded, yet sheltered, by both the Long Island Sound and Peconic Bay), and the complexity of the farming soil, contributes significantly to the quality and character of its grapes, and hence, its wines; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its philosophy, Osprey's Dominion produces the best wines with the least interference from humankind to please the most discerning palates; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, its 'Reserve' wines are produced only in those years when the right conditions of sun and rain can produce a truly great wine; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished history, this esteemed vineyard has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of Osprey's Dominion is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated owners and 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 businesses and the communities they serve; 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 it will continue to enjoy the same sparkling successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Osprey's Dominion upon the occasion of its designation as a Gold Medalist by the New York Wine and Grape Foundation on July 12, 2022; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Osprey's Dominion.