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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Oliver's Candies of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as the recipient of the 2012 Business of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are enhanced by the concerned and dedicated efforts of business organizations and individuals that generously contribute to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Oliver's Candies of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as the recipient of the 2012 Business of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at the Chamber's Annual Awards Ceremony, to be held on Saturday, April 13, 2013, at the Clarion Hotel; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1932 by Joseph Boyd Oliver, Oliver's Candies of Batavia, New York, celebrated its 80th year in business in 2012; and WHEREAS, The founder of Oliver's Candies developed such now-famous products as Cashew Glaze and Hostess Squares; he sold the business in 1960; and

WHEREAS, Currently owned and operated by the Quincey family, Oliver's Candies has 29 employees, several who have been with the company for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Oliver's Candies continues to flourish as a destination retail attraction, drawing locals and visitors alike for its renowned quality chocolates; the company's products are also now available to consumers all over the world through its online store; and WHEREAS, Oliver's Candies has always taken an active role in the Genesee County community; it has supported the Chamber of Commerce's Tourism Committee and its staff has contributed greatly to initiatives related to the BEA, Batavia Rotary, and economic development; and WHEREAS, In addition, Oliver's Candies is involved in multiple community activities, including youth bureau, youth sports programs, YMCA, YWCA, Office of the Aging, the Jaycees, Go Art, and Meals on Wheels; and WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Oliver's Candies of Batavia, New York; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Oliver's Candies of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as the recipient of the 2012 Business of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Oliver's Candies, Batavia, New York.