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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the United Way of Sullivan County upon the occasion of its 30th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations within the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the United Way of Sullivan County upon the occasion of its 30th Anniversary, to be celebrated on Saturday, May 18, 2013; and WHEREAS, Located in Monticello, New York, the United Way of Sullivan County has helped find and provide support services to people in need in

the area for the past 25 years; and

WHEREAS, A member of United Way of America, the United Way of Sullivan County operates as a private not-for-profit agency and receives no financial support from the national organization or the government; and WHEREAS, The United Way of Sullivan County depends on the kindness and generosity of local businesses and individuals to carry out its mission of mobilizing the caring power of the community through participation in fundraising, volunteerism, advocacy, education and partnerships for the purpose of improving lives and building a strong and vital region; and WHEREAS, Among the numerous projects the United Way of Sullivan County offers to the area are: 2-1-1, a collaborative effort with the United Ways of Dutchess, Orange, Rockland, Ulster and Westchester-Putnam that developed and maintains Hudson Valley Region 2-1-1 to provide callers throughout seven counties with comprehensive information and referral for a wide variety of health and human service needs; Project Care, a multifaceted endeavor that assures that families and children in need are not overlooked during the holiday season; and Wardrobes For Work, a joint venture formed by business and human service organizations in Sullivan County which has been providing proper work attire to individuals seeking or maintaining employment since 2001; and WHEREAS, In addition, the United Way of Sullivan County conducts an

annual fundraising campaign to solicit corporate and individual gifts, as well as employee payroll contributions, administers the local Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program and has been working with other community partners to offer seminars that build awareness of the growing gang problem that has now advanced into rural areas, such as Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, The success enjoyed by the United Way of Sullivan County is in direct correlation to the efforts of the many individuals who have supported the development of this outstanding organization over the years; and

WHEREAS, Equally commendable are the superbly-skilled staff at the United Way of Sullivan County, whose involvement is and has always been characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all of their efforts on behalf of the organization and the population it serves; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the United Way of Sullivan County upon the occasion of its 30th Anniversary, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling success which has so characterized its past; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the United Way of Sullivan County.