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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Daryl R. Forsythe upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Distinguished Citizen Award from the Chenango District, Baden-Powell Council, Boy Scouts of America on May 13, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Daryl R. Forsythe upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Distinguished Citizen Award from the Chenango District, Baden-Powell Council, Boy Scouts of America at its 25th Annual Awards Banquet to be held at the Canasawacta Country Club on Thursday, May 13, 2010; and WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Daryl R. Forsythe has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to both his community and profession and consequently has been designated for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Born in Oneonta, New York, Daryl R. Forsythe has been a life-long resident of New York State; he is a 1965 graduate of Utica College of Syracuse University, with a degree in Industrial Management; in 1979, he earned an MBA in General Management from Syracuse University; he also completed the Executive Management course offered by Yale University; and

WHEREAS, After brief tenure with Revere Copper and Brass in Rome, New York, Daryl R. Forsythe joined Bendix Corporation in Sidney, New York, where he held several positions in management in both manufacturing and quality control; in 1984, he accepted a position with Simmonds Precision

(later BF Goodrich) in Norwich as Vice President of Operations; he was named Vice President and General Manager for the BF Goodrich Engine Electrical Systems Division in 1987; under his leadership, the division employed more than 900 people in four locations including two plants in Norwich and one each in California and New Jersey; he held this position until he joined NBT in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Today, Daryl R. Forsythe is Chairman of NBT Bancorp Inc. and has been affiliated with NBT since 1988 when he joined the NBT Bank Board of Directors; he has been a Director for NBT Bancorp since 1992; an exemplary leader, he became President & Chief Executive Officer and the leader of NBT's Executive Management Team in 1995; NBT Bancorp is a financial services holding company headquartered in Norwich, New York; the company operates NBT Bank, N.A., which includes 87 NBT Bank offices in Upstate New York and Northern Vermont and 38 Pennstar Bank offices in Northeastern Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Despite his busy professional life, Daryl R. Forsythe has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has given of himself unstintingly; and WHEREAS, Daryl R. Forsythe is active in a number of community organizations, serving on the Commerce Chenango and Development Chenango Boards and chairing the Chenango County Ethics Committee; in addition, he is an honorary trustee for the SUNY Oneonta Foundation and a trustee for Syracuse University; he also serves as a Director for Security Mutual Insurance Company of New York, Inc., the New York Business Development Corp., New York Central Mutual Insurance Company and the National Security Life and Annuity Company; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Daryl R. Forsythe has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Phyllis, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements;

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WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Daryl R. Forsythe has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Daryl R. Forsythe upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Distinguished Citizen Award from the Chenango District, Baden-Powell Council, Boy Scouts of America on May 13, 2010; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Daryl R. Forsythe.