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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending The Land Family Foundation upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by the Orange County Land Trust on June 4, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and intent is to promote environmental conservation and protection as well as to encourage the appreciation and understanding of the environment as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend The Land Family Foundation upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by the Orange County Land Trust at its Annual Benefit Dinner to be held on Friday, June 4, 2010, at the Falkirk Estate and Country Club, Central Valley, New York; and

WHEREAS, The theme of this most illustrious event is "Giving Back....and Looking Forward-A Celebration of 18 years Protecting Orange County's Rural and Agricultural Heritage"; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Orange County Land Trust honors individuals or organizations that have continuously displayed an unparalleled commitment to the preservation and conservation of land in Orange County; and

WHEREAS, This year, the Orange County Land Trust selected The Land Family Foundation in recognition of its unwavering commitment to the protection of the county's natural areas, working farmland, and water resources; and

WHEREAS, The Land Family Foundation was established in 1997 by Douglas Land of Cornwall-on-Hudson, New York; its mission is to support a range of regional environmental organizations including the Orange County Land Trust, Black Rock Forest, Hudson Highlands Land Trust and The Hudson

Highlands Nature Museum; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Land and his partner, Lynn Peebles also founded, in 2008, the Cornwall Community Cooperative to foster sustainable agriculture in the Hudson Valley and bring healthy, fresh and locally sourced food choices to consumers in their community; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Lynn Peebles has served on the Board of the Hudson Highlands Nature Museum since 1999, and is a founding director of the Cornwall Community Cooperative; Douglas Land recently joined the Board of the Hudson Highlands Land Trust; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to recognize The Land Family Foundation, for its unwavering commitment to the citizens of Orange County, as it provides an uncompromising standard of excellence in the delivery of superlative community service; and

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon all citizens to recognize and applaud the efforts of organizations such as The Land Family Foundation, which has worked tirelessly on behalf of protecting our natural surroundings for the benefit of present and future generations of New Yorkers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend The Land Family Foundation upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by the Orange County Land Trust on June 4, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Land Family Foundation.