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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Greg Heffner upon the occasion of his retirement as the Planning Director for the Steuben County Planning Department after 25 years of distinguished public service

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Greg Heffner upon the occasion of his retirement as the Planning Director for the Steuben County Planning Department after 25 years of distinguished public service on June 25, 2010; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Greg Heffner has continually demonstrated extreme competence and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to his community and profession; consequently, he will be recognized at an Open House to be held on Thursday, June 17, 2010, at the Steuben County Legislative Chambers; and

WHEREAS, Greg Heffner began his esteemed career as a Senior Planner for the Steuben County Planning Department in 1985; displaying exemplary leadership skills, he was promoted to Planning Director on July 3, 1989, and as Deputy County Administrator in March 1993; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, Greg Heffner also served as Acting County Administrator from January 5, 1996, until May 13, 1996, and again from May 25, 2000 until September 24, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Greg Heffner served Steuben County with the utmost intelligence and caring dedication, continuously striving to effectively fulfill the duties of his position; and

WHEREAS, Despite his busy professional life, Greg Heffner has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Greg Heffner was instrumental in the establishment of the Steuben County Conference & Visitors Bureau and has served on the Board of Directors since its creation in 1993; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Greg Heffner has served as a Board member on the Southern Tier Central Regional Planning and Development Board since 1986; he has also been a Board member for the Finger Lakes Resource Conservation and Development Council since 1998 and currently serves as its Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, An avid outdoorsman, Greg Heffner is President of the New York State Venison Donation Coalition, an active member of Trout Unlimited and a New York State Certified Fishing Guide; and

WHEREAS, Greg Heffner is also a Board member of the Bath Housing Authority; furthermore, he is a world-renowned fly-tier who has had a book published depicting many of his creations; and

WHEREAS, Sincerely loved and greatly respected by all those with whom he worked, Greg Heffner will be remembered for his honesty, integrity, keen sense of duty and ability to show a unique grasp of human problems in his official acts; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Arlene, their two children, Kathy and Scott, as well as their three grandchildren, Spencer, Lily and Rees, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals 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 commend Greg Heffner upon the occasion of his retirement as the Planning Director for the Steuben County Planning Department after 25 years of distinguished public service, and to wish him continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Greg Heffner.