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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the First Annual Tri-Hamlet Day and congratulating the members of the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project

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 reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves 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 commemorate the First Annual Tri-Hamlet Day and to congratulate the members of the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project; the First Annual Tri-Hamlet Day was celebrated on June 9, 2012; and

WHEREAS, The communities of Shirley, Mastic, and Mastic Beach, known as the Tri-Hamlet Community, are the hidden jewel of Long Island; and WHEREAS, Rich in Revolutionary War history, natural parks and recreational waterways, the Tri-Hamlet Community enjoys many blessings but also faces serious challenges; and

WHEREAS, Residents of the Tri-Hamlet Community and elected officials from every level of government engaged in a six month collaborative effort to produce the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project Report, organizing themselves into six work groups: Infrastructure, Economic Development, Real Estate, Quality of Life, Public Safety, and Marketing; the participants produced a series of proposals to address these challenges; and WHEREAS, The Report's recommendations are practical and achievable solutions to enhance the quality of life in the community for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, One of the first achievements of the project is the success of the First Annual Tri-Hamlet Day; thousands of people enjoyed the many

treasures located throughout the community, including the William Floyd Estate, Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge, the Manor of St. George, the gravesite of Revolutionary War General Nathaniel Woodhull, and the Village of Mastic Beach Town Square; and

WHEREAS, The work of the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project is another example of the long American tradition of self-reliance, individual initiative, and grassroots activism; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project are: Joe Asaro, Bill Biondi, John Bivona, Marilyn Bonsignore, Kate Browning, Joe Carabott, Sara Carmichael, Frank Cappiello, Gail Cappiello, Lori Ann Casdia, Kevin Collins, April Coppola, Ed DeGennaro, Rob Deshler, John Doyle, Al Ehresman, Eric Fischer, Evelyn Green, Glenn Hollins, Ray Hopp, Tinamarie Hughes, Ray Keenan, Philip King, Michael Leonardi, Natalie Lewis, Tony Liberti, Mike Lubrano, Pat Matthews, Catherine Meinhold, Debbie Metz, Dolores Murphy-Gallagher, Paul Older, Ken Olivo, Gary Ollet, Dan Panico, Katherine Palma, Vincent Pascale, Helen Purdoski, Kerri Rosalia, Cheryl Rowell, Thomas Scarpantonio, Benny Schiraldi, John Sicignano, Linda Sulfaro, Larry Tellefson, William Toranzo, Robert Vecchio, Beth Wahl, Al Walter, Robert Wisdom, Victor Zeleny; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the First Annual Tri-Hamlet Day and to congratulate the members of the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the aforementioned members of the Tri-Hamlet Renaissance Project.