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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of Jack's Oyster House of Albany, New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly recognize those businesses within the State of New York which have positively impacted their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Jack's Oyster House of Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, A family-owned restaurant, Jack's Oyster House is a fixture in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Today, Jack's Oyster House is owned by Brad Rosenstein, the paternal grandson of Jack Rosenstein who opened the restaurant on January 24, 1913, on Beaver Street in downtown Albany; it moved to its current location at 42 State Street in 1937; and

WHEREAS, Jack Rosenstein launched the restaurant when he was 20 years old with four hundred dollars that he had saved since starting as a newsboy at age nine and then as an oyster shucker at the famed Keeler's Hotel; and

WHEREAS, Every New York Governor since William Sulzer has dined at Jack's Oyster House along with many celebrities such as Hillary Rodham Clinton, John F. Kennedy Jr., Sugar Ray Leonard, Colin Powell, and Robert Goulet; and

WHEREAS, Since its establishment, it is estimated that patrons of Jack's Oyster House have consumed over 10 million oysters; and

WHEREAS, Known for its exceptional service and quality, Jack's Oyster House serves lunch and dinner every day of the year; and

WHEREAS, Over the past century, Jack's Oyster House has been closed for only one day--for 92-year-old Jack Rosenstein's funeral in 1986; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize and support the entrepreneurs of small businesses whose dedication and accomplishments contribute to the economic health and vitality of the communities they serve in the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Jack's Oyster House of Albany, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jack's Oyster House, Albany, New York.