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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 40th Anniversary of RSVP of Chemung County

WHEREAS, It is the practice 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 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 40th Anniversary of RSVP of Chemung County, to be celebrated on Thursday, March 28, 2013, in Elmira, New York; and WHEREAS, This event will be the last RSVP volunteer recognition ceremony at the Clemens Center; on April 1, 2013, the organization will transition to the Chemung Volunteer Action Corps, where it will begin serving volunteers of all ages in a slightly different format; and WHEREAS, RSVP is one of the largest volunteer efforts in the nation; in providing one-stop shopping to individuals looking to give back to their communities, RSVP volunteers enjoy maximum flexibility in choosing how and where they want to serve and for how many hours; and WHEREAS, RSVP of Chemung County provides volunteer service to meet community needs; it enables individuals 55 years of age or older to actively participate in the life of their community through volunteer service, thus enhancing the lives of the volunteers and the community; and

WHEREAS, An annual event, RSVP of Chemung County will offer awards and honor over 900 volunteers who have contributed over 127,000 hours through more than 100 community agencies during 2012; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to recognize RSVP of Chemung County, for its unwavering commitment to the citizens of New York, as it provides an uncompromising standard of excellence in the delivery of superlative community service; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our atten-

tion, 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 commemorate the 40th Anniversary of RSVP of Chemung County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Carol Houssock, Director, RSVP of Chemung County.