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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Sydney's Cycling Sauces upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Youth Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Sydney's Cycling Sauces upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Youth Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce to be celebrated at its 30th Annual Awards Dinner on Friday, April 17, 2015, at the Cyprus Shrine Center, Glenmont, New York; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1957, the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce works on a local and regional level to advance economic development and foster a positive business environment; it offers resources for residents, business, recreation and relocation in Bethlehem and the surrounding region; and

WHEREAS, The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce's Youth Award recognizes young residents who have contributed to the region either through business or volunteer endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Sydney's Cycling Sauces is a new student-run business endeavor driven by a team of four students at Bethlehem Central High School and led by Principal Scott Landry as CEO; and

WHEREAS, Headquartered in Principal Landry's office, Sydney's Cycling Sauces produces two varieties of pasta sauce, Original Recipe and Clara-nara; the students have been responsible for all aspects of the business from the launch and structure of the organization, to production,

marketing, shipping and managing the online web store; and

WHEREAS, The launch of Sydney's Cycling Sauces has been highly successful, with batches selling out in record time, encouraging the team members' desire to continue to grow and expand the company in the future; in addition, the students are working on moving to a sustainable model and producing their own ingredients for future production; and

WHEREAS, All proceeds from Sydney's Cycling Sauces support Sydney's Spinners, who will ride to benefit the local chapter of the American Diabetes Association at the Tour de Cure in Saratoga; and

WHEREAS, Matt Slatcher, Head Chef and culinary expert at Sydney's Cycling Sauces, has trained at the BOCES Culinary Program for the past two years, and will be attending Schenectady County Community College in the fall, majoring in the culinary arts; and

WHEREAS, Clara Racette is the Chief Financial Officer and graphic designer of the company; she will be attending Oregon State University, majoring in Food Science and Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Sydney's Cycling Sauces Chief of Operations and legal counsel, Sam Rogers, is planning to attend college and major in International Studies; and

WHEREAS, Kitchen Supervisor Caroline Ayres, a junior at Bethlehem Central High School, will assume leadership of the company after her senior partners have graduated; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, the student members of Sydney's Cycling Sauces have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend young individuals of outstanding character, who have shown initiative and commitment toward constantly pursuing higher goals for themselves, and

acting as role models of leadership to be emulated by both peers and young people; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

commend the members of Sydney's Cycling Sauces upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Youth Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of Sydney's Cycling Sauces and principal Scott Landry.