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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring A. Alan Seidman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Hudson Valley Council

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor A. Alan Seidman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Hudson Valley Council, to be celebrated at its Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner on Wednesday, April 29, 2015, at the West Hills Country Club, Middletown, New York; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, A. Alan Seidman has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to both his community and profession and consequently has been designated for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Cornwall, New York, A. Alan Seidman graduated from Cornwall Central High School in 1970, before attending Emerson College in Boston where he earned a bachelor's degree in Communications in 1974, as well as a master's degree in Communications the following year; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of his studies, A. Alan Seidman joined the Cornwall Volunteer Ambulance Corps, becoming its President for the first time in 1977; one year later he joined the Cornwall Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the Ambulance Corps and the Cornwall Lions Club, A. Alan Seidman chaired the health screening project in conjunction with Cornwall Hospital for many years; his connection with Emergency Service continued when he served on the American Red Cross Orange Chapter Board of Directors and the Disaster Relief Team; and

WHEREAS, A. Alan Seidman's strong patriotic beliefs have led to his participation in and chairing of the Military Appreciation Picnic at Stewart Airport; he also serves on the Board of the Purple Heart Hall of Honor and currently chairs its building committee; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, A. Alan Seidman has been a steadfast advocate for numerous youth related causes; he has actively participated with the Boy Scouts on both the local and district levels and, in 2004, he received the Boy Scouts Distinguished Service Award; and

WHEREAS, A. Alan Seidman's unwavering dedication to community service includes more than two decades as a Rotarian, during which time he served as co-chair of the annual food basket program; and

WHEREAS, Serving in the Orange County Legislature for 20 years, including four as its chair, A. Alan Seidman has also served on the Board of the Orange County Partnership since 2002; he is an Emeritus Member of the Orange County Chamber Board; and

WHEREAS, Today, A. Alan Seidman is on the Board of Pattern for Progress with the Hudson Valley Regional Council, and is President of Temple Beth Jacob in Newburgh; he also serves as Executive Director of Construction Contractors Association of the Hudson Valley; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Robin, and their three children, Adam, Mark and Sarah, as well as four grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which A. Alan Seidman has displayed throughout his life; 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor A. Alan Seidman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Hudson Valley Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to A. Alan Seidman.