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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 95th Anniversary of Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage on June 20, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and businesses which substantially contribute to the economic vitality of their communities and the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 95th Anniversary of Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage on Saturday, June 20, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Located in Buffalo, New York, Mineo & Sapio, formerly known as Mineo's, was founded in 1920 as a neighborhood meat market by John Mineo, who quickly earned a reputation for making fine fresh Italian Sausages; and

WHEREAS, In 1951, John Mineo was joined by his son-in-law, Ralph Sapio, and the meat market became known as Mineo & Sapio Meats; six years later, Ralph Sapio became the sole proprietor and maintained not only the market's name, but its reputation for the finest Italian Sausage in Western New York; and

WHEREAS, With the emergence of large grocers who offered one-stop shopping, and the increased popularity of the fast food business in the early 1960's, Ralph Sapio realized he needed to change his business to accommodate the public's changing buying habits; and

WHEREAS, During this time, Ralph Sapio developed an Italian Sausage patty made with the same demanding standards John Mineo established more than 40 years earlier, which offered the portion control, convenience and quality the fast food industry demanded; following the success of this new sausage product, customer demands prompted the development of

another new product, a high quality Italian meatball; and

WHEREAS, Today, after 95 years of distinguished service to its community, Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage remains steadfastly in tune with the needs of its customers; and

WHEREAS, A true Western New York tradition, Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage sells direct to consumers at its retail store in Buffalo, New York, through major supermarkets and specialty stores throughout Western New York, and on its website; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage is a major supplier of Italian Sausage and Italian Meatballs to the food industry in Western New York; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage continues to supply its customers with the highest quality products, at competitive prices, and remains the company whose product is used as the standard for excellence within its industry; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business and its contributions to the local and State economies, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling success it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 95th Anniversary of Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage on June 20, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mineo & Sapio Italian Sausage, Buffalo, New York.