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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Port Jervis Antique Study Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 80th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across the great State of New York is reflective of certain exemplary institutions whose purpose is dedicated to serving the community and the needs of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Port Jervis Antique Study Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 80th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1935, the Port Jervis Antique Study Club will recognize this auspicious milestone of studying antiques with a luncheon on Thursday, December 17, 2015, at the Hotel Fauchere in Milford, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, The Port Jervis Antique Study Club was founded by Florence Wright, a Home Bureau agent, in Middletown, New York, where she organized a group of Orange County women interested in studying antiques; she started the Study of Antiques Department of the Home Bureau which eventually became the Cornell Cooperative Extension; and

WHEREAS, The Port Jervis Antique Study Club's archives hold many treasures including notes and club minutes from the 1940s that reveal how the club members raised money for the Red Cross to give decks of playing cards, games and handkerchiefs to the "boys" going off to war, as well as those who were recovering in military hospitals; and

WHEREAS, Serving the community for eight decades, the Port Jervis Antique Study Club has explored hundreds of topics such as pottery, furniture, old books, silver jewelry, musical instruments, silverware,

antique gowns, fans, dolls, old crocks, glassware, candles, tools and lamps; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the members create a booklet listing the monthly program dates, meeting topics and membership directory; each booklet cover is unique and in past years has included original watercolor paintings, hand-tinted paper doll cutouts and calligraphy; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Port Jervis Antique Study Club is in direct correlation to the efforts of the many individuals, including President Norma Schadt, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the club and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, Steeped in a proud and distinguished history, the Port Jervis Antique Study Club may take just pride in its purposeful growth, as it looks forward to continuing to serve the educational, cultural and intellectual needs of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Port Jervis Antique Study Club upon the occasion of celebrating its 80th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Norma Schadt, President, Port Jervis Antique Study Club.