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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jay Gsell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Wolcott "Jay" Humphrey III Excellence in Community Leadership Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Jay Gsell has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Jay Gsell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Wolcott "Jay" Humphrey III Excellence in Community Leadership Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce to be celebrated at an Awards Ceremony on Saturday, March 5, 2016, at Batavia Clarion Hotel, Batavia, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award is given to a leader who has made a positive difference in Genesee County; Jay Gsell is involved in various organizations, shares his ideas and instills them in others, and incorporates his passion into the business community by encouraging individuals to develop a commitment to volunteerism and community development; and

WHEREAS, For the last 20 years, Jay Gsell has served as the Genesee County Manager; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the community in which he lives and works, Jay Gsell has been involved with numerous organizations including both the United Way of Genesee County, and Humphrey Symposium; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, Jay Gsell has been a member of the Genesee County

Chamber Business Development Committee, and the Genesee County Chamber Public Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jay Gsell is a vital member of the Batavia Rotary Club and held the position of President from 2006-2007; in addition, he participated on the Treasurer's committee; and

WHEREAS, Since 2005, Jay has served on the United Way of Greater Rochester Board of Directors, and for the last nine years, he has participated on the Home Care and Hospice of WNY Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Jay Gsell has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades including the 2008 Ben Franklin Award, and the Spirit of Y Award in 2010; in addition, he was inducted into the Seton Hall Preparatory School's Athletic Hall of Fame in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Jay Gsell has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Jay Gsell 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 Jay Gsell upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Wolcott "Jay" Humphrey III Excellence in Community Leadership Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jay Gsell.