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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 205th Anniversary of the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those illustrious journalistic entities which have diligently and consistently, year after year, recorded the history of their communities and brought local news and news of the larger world to their readers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 205th Anniversary of the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT; and

WHEREAS, Newspapers are often referred to as the first draft of history, providing a record of a community; and

WHEREAS, Based in Goshen, New York, the seat of government for Orange County, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has recorded Goshen's triumphs and tragedies for more than two centuries; and

WHEREAS, Since 1812, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has recorded both the births and deaths of its residents; this invaluable news source has also reported the academic, artistic and athletic achievements of Goshen's school children; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has provided a platform for government, religious institutions and organizations to tell of their activities; in addition, the paper has reported the valiant efforts of police, fire and ambulance crews to safeguard the community; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has served the Goshen business community by providing a place for advertising and business stories, and the means to report on upcoming holidays, parades and festive activities; and

WHEREAS, Through its reporters and editors, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has provided a voice for its readers, and a forum for the residents of Goshen to express their thoughts through letters to the editor; and

WHEREAS, The GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has proudly helped improve the quality of life for the residents of Goshen by informing them of the community's news and activities by sharing articles and photographs; and

WHEREAS, For many years, the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT has been under the luminous direction of its Editor, Tom Leek; maintaining a high quality and relevant paper, he continues to deliver a superior product to all of its readers, and serves as an expressive voice to the people of Goshen by providing a platform for all members of its community; and

WHEREAS, Our newspapers provide a tremendous service to citizens across the State of New York by keeping them informed about current events; the democracy of our State and Nation is strengthened by a responsible citizenry which is actively engaged in reading and kept abreast of news affecting their lives; and

WHEREAS, As the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT moves into the future, it carries with it the legacy of a distinguished journalistic history and an outstanding record of growth and achievement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 205th Anniversary of the GOSHEN INDEPENDENT; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tom Leek, Editor, GOSHEN INDEPENDENT.