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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Rural Transit Service upon the occasion of its designation as Not-for-Profit of the Year by the Evans-Brant Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those organizations within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals and organizations it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Rural Transit Service upon the occasion of its designation as Not-for-Profit of the Year by the Evans-Brant Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its Annual President's Award and Recognition Dinner on Saturday, April 2, 2016, at Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center, Angola, New York; and

WHEREAS, Rural Transit Service (RTS) began in 1990 in the towns of Evans and Brant to provide safe, reliable and affordable transportation to senior citizens, low to moderate income and disabled residents in need; and

WHEREAS, Rural Transit vehicles provide transportation for medical trips, grocery shopping, banking, and other personal trips, assisting individuals with where they need to go, in an effort to allow these individuals the ability to maintain their independence and accomplish their daily life routines; and

WHEREAS, With more than two and a half decades of steadfast community service, Rural Transit Service has grown from servicing two to twenty five municipalities in Erie County; its 130 plus volunteers are at the

core of its success, pulling together with enormous strength and compassion, servicing those in need throughout the community by volunteering to drive and dispatch; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished 26 year history, Rural Transit Service has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves, transporting more than 5,000 individuals on approximately 250,000 trips; and

WHEREAS, The success of Rural Transit Service is in direct correlation to the efforts of its volunteers, 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 organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations 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 commend Rural Transit Service upon the occasion of its designation as Not-for-Profit of the Year by the Evans-Brant Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rural Transit Service.