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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Andrew R. Fish upon the occasion of stepping down as Executive Director of the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce and Cayuga Economic Development Agency after many years of invaluable public service

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens who demonstrate great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Andrew R. Fish upon the occasion of stepping down as Executive Director of the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce and Cayuga Economic Development Agency after many years of invaluable public service; and

WHEREAS, Andrew R. Fish, the Executive Director of the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce and Cayuga Economic Development Agency (CEDA), will leave both positions to take a new job with CenterState CEO, a major economic development organization aiding businesses in central and northern New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Andrew R. Fish has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, A Chicago-area native, Andrew R. Fish moved to Cayuga County in 2002 with his wife, Kim; during this time, he was the Vice Principal at Union Springs Academy before he was hired to serve as Executive

Director of the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce in 2009; he was named CEDA's interim director in 2012; and

WHEREAS, During his illustrious tenure, Andrew R. Fish oversaw the Chamber's move to its current location, and led the establishment of a one-stop shop to help businesses access financial support and other important information; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Andrew R. Fish was instrumental in several economic development projects throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, As Executive Director of the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce and Cayuga Economic Development Agency, Andrew R. Fish served with loyalty, honor and distinction, earning him the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues and the community-at-large; and

WHEREAS, After serving Auburn and Cayuga County for more than six years in this capacity, Andrew R. Fish will officially step down on April 4, 2016; his new title will be Senior Vice President of Business Development at CenterState CEO, where he will focus on integrating the organization's economic development and membership divisions; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Andrew R. Fish has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Andrew R. Fish upon the occasion of stepping down as Executive Director of the Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce and Cayuga Economic

Development Agency after many years of invaluable public service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to Andrew R. Fish.