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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Joe and Fran Wolfe upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Citizens of the Year by the Noonday Club on May 24, 2016

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

WHEREAS, Joe and Fran Wolfe have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Joe and Fran Wolfe upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Citizens of the Year by the Noonday Club, to be celebrated on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at the White Wolf Restaurant in Napanoch, New York; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1923, the Noonday Club is a community service-based organization composed of local business people and conscientious citizens who sponsor events and fundraisers to support local charities, seniors and students; and

WHEREAS, Vital members of the Ellenville/Wawarsing, New York, community for almost 40 years, Joe and Fran are well-known for their generous spirit and philanthropic natures; and

WHEREAS, Fran Wolfe has been an enthusiastic volunteer for numerous organizations such as the Family of Ellenville, the Community Education Program, the Shadowland Theatre, the Ellenville Revolving Land Fund, as well as St. Mary and St. Andrew Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Fran Wolfe has served as Secretary of the Ellenville PTO and President of the Shawangunk Garden Club; she was also the first woman elected to the title of President of the Ellenville Noonday

Club where she participated on its Citizen of the Year Committee and held the position of co-Chair of its Holiday Lights Project; and

WHEREAS, A former high school principal, Joe Wolfe has served as an assistant at Ellenville and Rondout Valley High School track and field programs, and held the title of Treasurer of the Ellenville/Wawarsing Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, Joe Wolfe has also been a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Elks, and the Run Like The Wind Committee, and has been actively involved with the Ellenville Noonday Club, where he held the position of President; in addition, he has graciously counseled numerous cancer patients, and was instrumental in starting the Student Exchange Program in Ellenville with students from Bielefeld, Germany; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Joe and Fran Wolfe have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With them throughout have been their five children, their nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of their life and rejoice in their achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Joe and Fran Wolfe have displayed throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 Joe and Fran Wolfe upon the occasion of being named the 2015

Citizens of the Year by the Noonday Club on May 24, 2016; and be it further

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

mitted to Joe and Fran Wolfe.