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Senate Resolution No. 847

BY: Senator BONACIC

COMMENDING Rubin Livestock Services upon the occasion of celebrating 100 years as a family business in Monticello, New York

WHEREAS, The agricultural industry is part of the foundation upon which our distinct American heritage is built; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes great pride in acknowledging outstanding individuals and businesses associated with the agricultural industry which clearly contribute to the spirit of excellence which so distinguishes the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1917, the Rubin family has been buying and selling quality livestock on Rubin Road in Monticello, New York, for 100 years; today, Jay and Shirley Rubin, along with their children, Kaitie and Jacob, are the only descendants still working on the family farm; and

WHEREAS, Over the past century, there has been considerable expansion and growth; recently, the Rubins added a Horse Division offering its customers trail and backyard horses, western pleasure horses, leadline ponies, school horses, hunters, and a large selection of well-started green hunter horse and pony prospects; in addition, Rubin Livestock Services deals in new and used tack; and

WHEREAS, For 100 years, Rubin Livestock Services has opened its doors to the community with friendly faces and even friendlier cows; for the last 14 years, Devil Dog, a longhorn cow, greeted customers at the gate and enjoyed eating all kinds of treats right out of people's hands; and

WHEREAS, The Rubin family's monumental pride, endurance, and determination, endless hard work, and many lessons learned, as well as a little bit of luck has carried the multi-generational business through many periods of growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business and its contributions to the local and State economies, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Rubin Livestock Services upon the occasion of celebrating 100 years as a family business in Monticello, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jay and Shirley Rubin, Owners, Rubin Livestock Services.