LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Scott Lewendon upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Saving Special Places Award by the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy

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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Scott Lewendon upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Saving Special Places Award by the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy, to be celebrated on Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at Creo Restaurant in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Scott Lewendon has volunteered a significant amount of time and effort working on the Hudson Rail Trail; Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy rents the land from Albany County, which owns it, given up by the former Delaware and Hudson Railroad in the 1990s; and

WHEREAS, Albany County purchased it in the early 2000s hoping to make it into a walking/recreation trail, but was unable to accomplish this due to financial constraints; Scott Lewendon has done a great deal of design and organizational work all on a volunteer basis in order to allow Mohawk Hudson to make this former Railroad line into the envisioned recreational trail; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Scott Lewendon's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Scott Lewendon upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Saving Special Places Award by the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Scott Lewendon.