

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program upon the occasion of its 40th Anniversary Celebration on May 13, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize organizations of enduring tradition which faithfully serve the needs of the community and its citizens with diligence and compassionate commitment to improving the quality and dignity of life in the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) upon the occasion of its 40th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The Sullivan County RSVP will celebrate this joyous occasion with a luncheon to be held at the Villa Roma Resort and Conference Center in Callicoon, New York on Monday, May 13, 2013; and

WHEREAS, RSVP is America's largest volunteer network for people age 55 and over; when a person joins RSVP they join nearly 500,000 volunteers across the country who work on a variety of projects, programs and issues in their communities and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, RSVP offers a full range of volunteer opportunities with thousands of local and national organizations; when someone joins RSVP they choose how and where they want to serve, how much time they want to give, and whether they want to draw on skills they already have or want to develop new ones; and

WHEREAS, Established forty years ago, the Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program places interested persons in meaningful volunteer opportunities; the volunteers share their time, experience and knowledge with others in their communities and use their experiences to tutor children, assist at hospitals, help adults with literacy needs, deliver meals on wheels, or volunteer with an area organization or institution, or at a one time community event; and

WHEREAS, Older New Yorkers bring their special wisdom, experience, and enthusiasm to countless endeavors, helping to shape and strengthen the character of our communities and the quality of our lives; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Sullivan County RSVP exemplify the millions of New York State residents who are 60 years of age or older; they help to preserve the customs, traditions, and values of the many ethnic groups which comprise the rich fabric of the community of the State of New York and they are vital, integral and contributing members of our society; and

WHEREAS, The Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program has a proud tradition of helping the older citizens of its community remain valuable, involved, and productive members of the community as they reach the fullness of years; and

WHEREAS, The threads which form the quality and character of senior life are woven through dedicated service, carefully rendered, by such organizations of purposeful goodwill as the Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program upon the joyful occasion of its 40th Anniversary Celebration on May 13, 2013, commending it for its purposeful endeavors and noting the tradition of caring service it has established; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Sullivan County Retired Senior Volunteer Program.