LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mark Warford upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Community Spirit Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce

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 individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mark Warford upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Community Spirit Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce on Friday, April 19, 2013, at the Cyprus Shrine Center in Glenmont, New York; and

WHEREAS, Mark Warford, Vice Principal of the Bethlehem Middle School, has taken the initiative to create programs at the school to encourage energy efficiency and organic growing; he oversees the School's gardening club which supplies fresh vegetables to the school cafeteria, and started two other organic gardening programs in other organizations within the Capital District; and

WHEREAS, Mark Warford has integrated healthy eating, gardening and recycling into the Bethlehem Middle School curriculum for which it has won a number of awards from the federal government; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mark Warford is the President of the Delmar Farmers Market, one of the premiere farm markets in the region; he is also a dedicated coach for the girl's basketball team; 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 honor Mark Warford upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Community Spirit Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mark Warford.