LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Daniel Ryan upon the occasion of his designation as Citizen of the Year 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 Daniel Ryan upon the occasion of his designation as Citizen of the Year by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce on Friday, April 19, 2013, at the Cyprus Shrine Center in Glenmont, New York; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Ryan has been committed to the Bethlehem community for over 30 years, and during that time he has been an active member of the Bethlehem Lions Club, dedicated to providing local residents in need with hearing aids, eye exams and eye glasses; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Ryan has held numerous district officer positions with the Lions Club, been active in bringing the Lions Eye Institute to Slingerlands, and was a leader involved in bringing the Annual Lions Christmas Tree sale to life for the past five years, raising a significant amount for the Institute; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work with the Bethlehem Lions Club, Daniel Ryan also finds time to support the Bethlehem Fire Department and the First United Methodist Church's furniture program, donating his hand-crafted birdhouses to numerous charitable organizations to benefit their causes; he has worked tirelessly volunteering his time and energy in so many ways to better the lives of individuals in need and those with disabilities; 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 Daniel Ryan upon the occasion of his designation as Citizen of the Year by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Daniel Ryan.