LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring John Guastella upon the occasion of his designation as Business Person of the Year by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly recognize those small businesses within the State of New York which have positively impacted their communities; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor John Guastella upon the occasion of his designation as Business Person 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, John Guastella has been a supporter for the town, both through his local business, OUR TOWNE Bethlehem and as a resident; each month, OUR TOWNE Bethlehem highlights the town, its community activities, residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the business, John Guastella has been involved in many community events over the years; he has participated in the Holiday and Memorial Day parades along with the annual event that he created, the OUR TOWNE Bethlehem Turkey Trot; and

WHEREAS, John Guastella is active with many local committees, including the 20-20 Committee which helps to shape the future of the Town of Bethlehem; he also holds officer positions with a number of local organizations, including the Bethlehem Community Fund and the Bethlehem Tri-Club, which John was instrumental in organizing; and

WHEREAS, John Guastella supports youth programs among them including the Circle of Champs at the Bethlehem YMCA, and Special Olympic Athletes through the Bethlehem Tri-Club; he is also a cyclist each year in the Tour de Cure to raise funds for the American Diabetes Association; and

WHEREAS, With his proven business leadership abilities and his evident dedication to his community, John Guastella is the quintessential selection for the prestigious Business Person of the Year Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor John Guastella upon the occasion of his designation as Business Person 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 John Guastella.