LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Brown's Pharmacy upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2013 Business of the Year Award from the Unadilla Chamber of Commerce

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

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Brown's Pharmacy upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2013 Business of the Year Award from the Unadilla Chamber of Commerce on Sunday, April 21, 2013, in Unadilla, New York; and

WHEREAS, It was in 1956 that Lew Sturgess and his wife Ellen moved to Unadilla and bought the business from Bob Kinch; when Lew retired in 1995, the business was passed down to his daughter, Kelley Spencer; and

WHEREAS, Chris Brown began working with Kelley in October of 2003 becoming acquainted with many of the local customers; a month later, he purchased the business and the name was changed to Brown's Pharmacy in September of 2004; and

WHEREAS, A 1990 graduate of Tupper Lake High School, Chris Brown then went on to Albany College of Pharmacy, graduating in 1995; his early jobs were with Fay's and Tops pharmacies in Norwich; and

WHEREAS, For a while, Chris Brown served as a pharmacy director at Chenango Memorial Hospital, but later decided he wanted to get back into retail and help his community with its pharmaceutical needs; while the business along with its personal service is ongoing, Chris Brown has seen changes in technology and strives to keep updating the business; and

WHEREAS, While the pharmacy business keeps Chris Brown busy, he still finds time to serve on the executive board of Family Planning of South Central New York and on the regional advisory board of Cardinal Health National Wholesaler; he also has been involved with the Relay for Life in Chenango County for many years; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Dianna and their children Chelsea, Gabe and Macauley, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body commends Brown's Pharmacy for its excellence and for its commitment and contributions to the community it has so ably served; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Brown's Pharmacy upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2013 Business of the Year Award from the Unadilla Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Chris Brown, the owner of Brown's Pharmacy.