LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring George and Duffy Lent upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2013 Good Neighbor Award by the Unadilla Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character who have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State with their strong contributions to the community and model citizenship; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor George and Duffy Lent upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2013 Good Neighbor Award by the Unadilla Chamber of Commerce on Sunday, April 21, 2013, in Unadilla, New York; and

WHEREAS, George and Duffy Lent are both graduates of the Unadilla Central School; George graduated in 1962 from Paul Smith College with a forestry degree and during that time, he and Duffy were married in 1961; and

WHEREAS, George Lent was employed with the U.S. Geological Survey for 40 years; in 2004, both he and Duffy moved back to Unadilla and purchased the house and property which borders Martin Brook Park; in 2005, the Unadilla Park Commission made George and Duffy Lent stewards of the Park; and

WHEREAS, During the summer months in the morning, George and Duffy Lent open the gates of the park to the community making sure the pavilion and picnic areas are clean; in addition, they explore and inspect the property of the 15 acre park to keep it fully operational; and

WHEREAS, Upon moving back to Unadilla, George and Duffy Lent have been involved with various environmental issues; concerned about keeping the environment clean, they began a recycling center for families which expanded to 50 families in participation; as the center grew too large, the Lent family went to the Town of Lawrence to have a recycling facility put in place while continuing to volunteer their services at the facility; and

WHEREAS, George and Duffy Lent have a special love for the outdoors which is evident with their gardens of fruit and vegetables; they both volunteer for the local food pantry; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for George and Duffy Lent and to wish them continued success in all of their future endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor George and Duffy Lent upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2013 Good Neighbor Award by the Unadilla Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to George and Duffy Lent.