

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Garry VanGorder upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2013 Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Baden-Powell Council

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Garry VanGorder upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2013 Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Baden-Powell Council, to be celebrated on Monday, May 20, 2013; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Garry VanGorder has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to both his community and profession and consequently has been designated for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, A Cortland County native, Garry VanGorder earned an A.A.S. degree in journalism from SUNY Morrisville, along with a B.S. degree in political science from SUNY Oswego; he was named executive director of the Cortland County Business Development Agency in September of 2009, after serving eight years as executive director of the Cortland County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Garry VanGorder joined the Chamber after three years with the Metropolitan Development Association in Syracuse, New York; he is a trustee at Cortland Medical Center and serves on the boards of the sports council, education foundation, and the downtown partnership; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Garry VanGorder is a past board member of the Main Street Music Series, the Cortland County United Way, the Cortland Housing Assistance Council, the Cortland City Youth Bureau, the Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Cortland City Council; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Garry VanGorder upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2013 Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Baden-Powell Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Garry VanGorder.