LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the 3rd Branch of the National Association of Letter Carriers upon the occasion of participating in the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on Saturday, May 11, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the 3rd Branch of National Association of Letter Carriers upon the occasion of participating in the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on Saturday, May 11, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The 3rd Branch covers the Western New York Region of the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC); every year it participates in the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on the second Saturday in May; and

WHEREAS, The 3rd Branch has consistently collected some of the highest food donations in the nation; it has been known to produce two million pounds of food alone; this is a testament to the hard work of Western New York Carriers and the communities they serve six days a week; and

WHEREAS, The Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive is the nation's largest one-day food-collection effort; in 2012, the NALC collected over 70 million pounds of food; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception 21 years ago, the NALC's Food Drive has collected over one billion pounds of food; the various food items collected are donated to local food banks and other similar organizations so they may distribute it to those families and people from the community who are in need; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the 3rd Branch of National Association of Letter Carriers upon the occasion of participating in the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the 3rd Branch of the National Association of Letter Carriers.