

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Joan K. Davidson upon the occasion of receiving the Harold K. Hochschild Award from the Adirondack Museum

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging its esteemed residents who have distinguished themselves in their community; and

WHEREAS, Joan K. Davidson will be honored by the Adirondack Museum with its prestigious Harold K. Hochschild Award, named for its founder, during its annual Gala Benefit on July 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Joan and her family have been involved with Camp Treetops and North Country School from their inception; and

WHEREAS, She was instrumental in leading the capital campaign which enabled Protect the Adirondacks to renovate the Paul Schaefer home and library; and

WHEREAS, Joan served as the chair of the New York State Council on the Arts from 1975 until 1977; and

WHEREAS, In 1977, she succeeded her father, Jacob M. Kaplan, as President of the J.M. Kaplan Fund, a position she held until 1993; she returned as trustee and President Emerita in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Under Joan's leadership, the Fund has supported the ADIRONDACK EXPLORER, the Adirondack Nature Conservancy, AARCH, and other Adirondack organizations; and

WHEREAS, She also served as Commissioner of the New York State Department of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, Joan also served as chair of New York's Quadricentennial Commission; and

WHEREAS, Her tireless dedication to the Adirondacks is in the true spirit of this prestigious award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Joan K. Davidson upon the occasion of receiving the Harold K. Hochschild Award from the Adirondack Museum; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joan K. Davidson.