LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending and congratulating the New York State businesses whose outstanding products are being served at the Presidential Inaugural Luncheon on January 21, 2013

WHEREAS, New York State takes just pride in each and every product it produces or grows; and

WHEREAS, This year, New York State is particularly proud that Tierce 2010 Finger Lakes' Dry Riesling and Rochester's Seaway Trail Honey will be served at the Presidential Inaugural Luncheon on January 21, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Tierce Riesling will be served along with the first course, while the honey will be served during the third course which includes a Hudson Valley apple pie with sour cream ice cream, aged cheddar and the Seaway Trail honey; and

WHEREAS, The Dry Riesling is a special example of New York's finest wines because it is made from the superb Finger Lakes 2010 Riesling vintage produced among three Upstate New York vineyards; and

WHEREAS, The three vineyards from the Finger Lakes Region which have collaborated to produce the 2010 Tierce are Anthony Road Winery and Fox Run Vineyards, both from Yates County and Red Newt Cellars from Schuyler County; and

WHEREAS, New York State has a long tradition of producing some of the finest honey in the nation; the choice of Seaway Trail Honey will be a boon for New York's honey industry, which is a significant part of the agricultural economy in Upstate New York, supporting thousands of jobs; and

WHEREAS, Serving Tierce 2010 Finger Lakes Dry Riesling wine and Seaway Trail Honey at the Inaugural Luncheon shines a spotlight on two of New York's biggest, and most impressive, agricultural industries; and

WHEREAS, Another New York wine, a 2009 Merlot from Bedell Cellars of North Fork, Long Island, will also be served with the second course; and WHEREAS, President Obama, Vice President Biden, members of Congress, the Supreme Court and the Cabinet will all get a taste of New York's finest wines with the Tierce 2010 Finger Lakes Dry Riesling, which has won awards and accolades around the world, and the Bedell Cellars Merlot, and of the delicious New York honey; and

WHEREAS, New York State is pleased to be able to showcase these fantastic New York products and companies for the esteemed Inaugural Luncheon attendees; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the Dry Riesling, the Merlot, and the Seaway Trail Honey, the luncheon menu will also feature a number of other New York products, including the third course, a Hudson Valley apple pie with sour cream ice cream, aged cheddar cheese, and the honey; and

WHEREAS, The apples for the apple pie are from Golden Harvest Orchards in Valatie, Columbia County; the Cooperstown Cheese Company, in Otsego, New York, is supplying the cheese and Crown Maple Syrup from Dutchess County will also be incorporated in the dessert course; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend and congratulate the New York State businesses whose outstanding products are being served at the Presidential Inaugural Luncheon on January 21, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted with great pride to the companies which produced the Finger Lakes' Dry Riesling, the Bedell Cellars Merlot, and the Seaway Trail Honey.