

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring James Gaughan and Keith Lee upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Altamont Free Library on February 23, 2013

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, James Gaughan and Keith Lee have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor James Gaughan and Keith Lee upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Altamont Free Library, to be celebrated at its I Love My Library Gala Celebration on Saturday, February 23, 2013, at the Altamont Community Room, Altamont, New York; and

WHEREAS, James Gaughan and Keith Lee have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Valued and involved members of their community, James Gaughan and Keith Lee have fostered the historic preservation, community beautification and support of the Altamont Free Library for many years; and

WHEREAS, On this most auspicious occasion, Altamont Mayor James Gaughan is being recognized for his ongoing support in preserving the 1897 Delaware & Hudson Train Station, new home to the Altamont Free Library; and

WHEREAS, Through Mayor James Gaughan's dedicated and visionary leadership, the Altamont Free Library has become a unique venue for cultural, educational, and community events; and

WHEREAS, The preservation of the Train Station is one part of the creation of a strong identity and pride of place that Mayor James Gaughan has fostered in the Village; and

WHEREAS, Keith Lee is being honored by the Altamont Free Library for his legacy of volunteerism and beautification that has helped to preserve the unique character of Altamont; and

WHEREAS, Through countless hours of volunteer work, Keith Lee has been instrumental in creating, maintaining and improving the gardens and landscapes at Altamont's parks and public spaces for many years; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, Keith Lee spearheaded the effort to gather volunteers and master gardeners to prepare and plant the landscaping at the new Library; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, James Gaughan and Keith Lee have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which James Gaughan and Keith Lee have displayed throughout their lives; 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor James Gaughan and Keith Lee upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Altamont Free Library on February 23, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James Gaughan and Keith Lee.