LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce upon the occasion of its 25th Anniversary, March 15, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Individuals and organizations 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce upon the occasion of its 25th Anniversary; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at the annual dinner meeting of the Chamber, to be held on Friday, March 15, 2013, at Caverns Palace Restaurant in Howes Cave, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce developed out of the Cobleskill Area Chamber of Commerce in January 1987; it was incorporated on July 23,1987, and had 103 initial members; and

WHEREAS, From its inception, the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce has been instrumental in improving the working environment for businesses by active involvement in legislative issues, presenting small business workshops, addressing agricultural issues and offering health insurance benefits and energy assistance to its members; the Chamber also ably represented Schoharie County in the "I Love NY" tourism program; and

WHEREAS, The Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce was extraordinarily active in assisting its members and the community during and in the aftermath of Hurricane Irene; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce's 25 years of outstanding service, it has addressed important issues, including education, economic development, business legislation, county promotional activities and improved member services; and

WHEREAS, The Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce currently serves 250 members; and

WHEREAS, The 25th Anniversary of the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce presents an auspicious and unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to this outstanding organization; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to organizations such as the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce which serve to bring people together for the united purpose of actively pursuing improvements in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce upon the occasion of its 25th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce.