

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Emily Ooms upon the occasion of being named the 2015-2016 Columbia County Dairy Princess

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by citizens of this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Emily Ooms upon the occasion of being named the 2015-2016 Columbia County Dairy Princess; she was officially crowned at a ceremony held at the Taconic Hills Performing Arts Center on Sunday, May 3, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Dairy Princess program, sponsored by the American Dairy Association and Dairy Council, seeks to highlight the nutrition and importance of dairy products while also fostering a deeper appreciation of local dairy farmers within the community; and

WHEREAS, A resident of the Town of Valatie, New York, Emily Ooms is a junior at Chatham High School, and a devoted member of her local farming community; and

WHEREAS, Emily Ooms has served as a dairy ambassador, and is an active member of the local dairy industry; she continually helps out on her family's farm, A.Ooms and Sons Farm, and has been instrumental in helping others to become involved in the dairy promotion program; and

WHEREAS, In her role as 2015-2016 Columbia County Dairy Princess, Emily Ooms looks forward to conducting numerous activities to help educate children and consumers about local dairy farmers and the benefits of dairy products; and

WHEREAS, Through her active involvement in the community and her sincere dedication to local dairy farming, Emily Ooms is a true role model for her peers; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this young woman now stands honorably, with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by her teachers, and parents; and

WHEREAS, Emily Ooms exemplifies the best potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; she has brought enduring honor to her family and her community through her many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Emily Ooms upon the occasion of being named the 2015-2016 Columbia County Dairy Princess, and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Emily Ooms.