

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating David Bryce and the Tech Valley Center of Gravity upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Revitalize Troy Award by the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District

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 business organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate David Bryce and the Tech Valley Center of Gravity upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Revitalize Troy Award by the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District which was celebrated at its Annual Dinner on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at Franklin Plaza in Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District (BID) is to cultivate and advocate for the economic growth of downtown Troy by creating an inviting, dynamic, and sustainable community which celebrates the city's history while building towards its future; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to improving the quality of life within the district, the Downtown Troy BID works to further enhance and develop its community into a more vibrant, attractive destination for visitors, businesses, residents, workers and property owners; and

WHEREAS, The Revitalize Troy Award, sponsored by the Troy Local Development Corporation, is given to a project that best showcases a piece of the city's past and present, with a benefit to its future; and

WHEREAS, David Bryce, of Bryce Properties, and the Tech Valley Center of Gravity partnered together on the Quackenbush Building project, a large Victorian-era structure previously housing the G.V.S. Quackenbush & Co. and W.T. Grant & Co. stores which had been vacant for many years; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, David Bryce began the task of revitalizing the Quackenbush Building in downtown Troy to bring new life to Third Street; and

WHEREAS, Since then, the Tech Valley Center of Gravity has moved into the building to offer space, equipment, education and camaraderie to the organization's members and the overall community; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations 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 congratulate David Bryce and the Tech Valley Center of Gravity upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Revitalize Troy Award by the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to David Bryce and the Tech Valley Center of Gravity.