LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Roe Brothers, Inc. Lumber upon the occasion of celebrating 130 years of business in the Village of Florida, New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those small businesses within the State of New York which contribute to the economic health and vitality of the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Roe Brothers, Inc. Lumber upon the occasion of celebrating 130 years of business in the Village of Florida, New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1886, Roe Brothers, Inc. Lumber was established by John King Roe and his brothers George and Luis; the business was originally located in Pine Island, Chester and Florida, New York, and each was managed by one of the founding brothers; and

WHEREAS, The three brothers started out by selling coal and feed as well as lumber; through the years, the Florida location evolved and under the luminous leadership of John King Roe's only child Elizabeth Roe Bieling in the 1950s, it became a prosperous and distinguished lumberyard; and

WHEREAS, During the 1960s, Elizabeth Roe Bieling's son Arnold worked side by side with his mother and eventually purchased the thriving enterprise, successfully growing it to what it is today; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Tim and Scott Bieling, the sons of Arnold and Christina, are the fourth generation owners of Roe Brothers Lumber, ably leading one of Florida's oldest family-owned businesses into the future; and

WHEREAS, The sparkling success enjoyed by Roe Brothers Lumber is in direct correlation to the efforts of their skilled and knowledgeable staff, and its vast paint and home improvements departments which surpass any of the local box stores; and

WHEREAS, Roe Brothers Lumber has recently undergone a major expansion and renovation project, adding more than 3,000 square feet of showroom floor space in the Pratt and Lambert paint department, as well as supplying more than 5,000 new items to their loyal customers; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable business proudly offers its clients more than 27,000 unique items in stock and hundreds of thousands which can be ordered; Roe Brothers, Inc. Lumber strives to be a source for homeowners and builders, offering the highest quality, selection and durability; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges Roe Brothers, Inc. Lumber's success, recognizes its contributions to the local and State economies, and extends its highest commendation to the corporation and its employees, fully confident that, in its future, it will enjoy the same incredible success which has so characterized its past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Roe Brothers Lumber upon the occasion of celebrating 130 years of business in the Village of Florida, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tim and Scott Bieling, co-Owners, Roe Brothers, Inc. Lumber.