LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Friends of Schenectady County Public Library to be celebrated on April 16, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across the great State of New York is reflective of certain exemplary institutions whose purpose is dedicated to serving the community and the needs of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Friends of Schenectady County Public Library to be celebrated on Saturday, April 16, 2016, at River Stone Manor, Glenville, New York, with entertainment by The Mop & Bucket Improv Theatre Company; and

WHEREAS, Libraries are the cornerstone of the community, providing opportunities for all to engage in lifelong learning and connecting with others; and

WHEREAS, Friends of Schenectady County Public Library help to raise money that provides resources for programming, equipment, support for youth services, and special events throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, Friends of Schenectady County Public Library understands the importance of a well-funded library and advocates to ensure its library gets the resources needed to provide a wide variety of services to all ages including access to print and electronic materials, expert assistance in research, readers' advisory, and youth services; and

WHEREAS, Friends of Schenectady County Public Library also provides in-kind services for programming, building and grounds care, and representation at events; and

WHEREAS, The dedicated members of Friends of Schenectady County Public Library demonstrate how volunteerism can lead to positive civic engagement and the betterment of local communities; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Schenectady County Public Library is in direct correlation to the efforts of Friends of Schenectady County Public Library, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the library and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, Steeped in a proud and distinguished history, the Schenectady County Public Library may take just pride in its purposeful growth, as it looks forward to continuing to serve the educational, cultural and intellectual needs of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Friends of Schenectady County Public Library to be celebrated on April 16, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Friends of Schenectady County Public Library.