

BY: Senator BONACIC

HONORING Laurence Gottlieb upon the occasion of his designation as a 2017 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Business Person of the Year

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Laurence Gottlieb upon the occasion of his designation as a 2017 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Business Person of the Year, to be celebrated with an Induction Ceremony on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at the Grandview in Poughkeepsie, New York; and

WHEREAS, The SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame was established in 2001 to recognize the achievements of students, faculty, alumni and community members who have made significant contributions to their respective business professions and to the educational activities at the school; and

WHEREAS, Laurence Gottlieb is both the President and CEO of the Hudson Valley Economic Development Corporation (HVEDC), the leading economic development organization for the Hudson Valley, New York region; comprised of seven unique counties Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster and Westchester, each contributing to the region's economic strength and exceptional quality of life; and

WHEREAS, With more than 25 years of experience as a business advisor working with executives and government leaders, he has applied his knowledge wholeheartedly to the HVEDC's mission of supporting businesses in a variety of sectors, including technology, food and beverage, healthcare and tourism; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Laurence Gottlieb has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to both his community and profession and consequently has been selected for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Laurence Gottlieb has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Laurence Gottlieb upon the occasion of his designation as a 2017 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Business Person of the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Laurence Gottlieb.