

Senate Resolution No. 1131

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMENDING the Canal View Cafe upon the occasion of celebrating its 40th Anniversary on January 13, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize illustrious culinary establishments which have positively impacted and substantially contributed to the vitality of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Canal View Cafe upon the occasion of celebrating its 40th Anniversary on Friday, January 13, 2017; and

WHEREAS, A landmark within its community, the Canal View Cafe, located in the Village of Sylvan Beach, New York, is one of the area's most well-known and respected restaurants; and

WHEREAS, In 1977, Marge Testa opened a small cafe along the canal in Sylvan Beach with a counter and seven tables, and subsequently, a landmark was born; and

WHEREAS, The Canal View Cafe has been in continual operation now for 40 years; what started as a breakfast and sandwich shop catering to fishermen and locals has evolved into today's full service restaurant; and

WHEREAS, After working with her mother since its inception, Jean Tabarrini, bought the Canal View Cafe from her in 1990; and

WHEREAS, After receiving a sign from an old Sylvan Beach photo studio that read, "Pictures taken any place on the beach on short notice," Jean Tabarrini got the idea to start a collection of beach souvenirs and use history as the restaurant's theme, bringing guests face to face with a world of Sylvan Beach's past; Jean has found most of her treasures at antique shops and shows, and is always on the look-out for a reminder of the Beach's storied past; and

WHEREAS, Often referred to as the Sylvan Smithsonian, the Canal View Cafe has stood as a beloved establishment which has provided a friendly, open environment for patrons to collectively gather and share their thoughts, ideas and life experiences for four decades; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business and its contributions to the local and State economies, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Canal View Cafe upon the occasion of celebrating its 40th

Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jean Tabarrini, Owner, the Canal View Cafe.