

BY: Senator SEWARD

HONORING Scott Ferguson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Outstanding Service Award by the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Scott Ferguson has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Scott Ferguson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Outstanding Service Award by the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its Annual Banquet and Awards Ceremony on Friday, March 31, 2017, at the Red Barn Clubhouse, Cobleskill, New York; and

WHEREAS, Scott Ferguson has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A resident of the Town of Root, Scott Ferguson received his doctorate degree in executive leadership from St. John Fisher College; he also holds a Global MBA from Duke University, and a bachelor of science degree in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University; and

WHEREAS, Scott Ferguson has 20 years of small business ownership experience, as well as 20 years of corporate organizational development and human resource management experience; and

WHEREAS, The owner of Upstate Professional Cleaning, Scott Ferguson is also the founder, board member, and treasurer of Solar Farms, Inc., a hydroponic farm; in addition, he is an assistant professor at SUNY Cobleskill where he teaches a wide variety of business and management courses; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Scott Ferguson, Upstate Professional Cleaning is a member of the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber's Business Generators Group, which is focused on keeping and growing business in Schoharie County; and

WHEREAS, Scott Ferguson has been a member of the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce since 2008, serving on its board since 2010; he also served as president from 2012 to 2016, and is on the Economic Advancement Committee; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a

period of constructive involvement, Scott Ferguson has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Carrie, and their eight children, as well as seven grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

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

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Scott Ferguson, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Scott Ferguson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Outstanding Service Award by the Schoharie County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Scott Ferguson.