

BY: Senator SEWARD

COMMENDING the Original Herkimer County Cheese Company upon the occasion of being named a 2018 Golden Anniversary honoree by the Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and companies which substantially contribute to the economic vitality of their communities and the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Original Herkimer County Cheese Company upon the occasion of being named a 2018 Golden Anniversary honoree by the Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce to be celebrated at its 50th Anniversary Membership Meeting and Luncheon on Thursday, April 19, 2018, at Francesca's Banquet Hall, Ilion, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Herkimer Cheese tradition has its roots in the rich soil of New York's Herkimer County, where conditions are ideal for dairy farming; and

WHEREAS, By the 1850s, the area became a major center of cheese production because the milk produced there was so wholesome and plentiful; soon Herkimer County cheddar cheese was known the world over for its exceptional flavor and quality; and

WHEREAS, The Original Herkimer County Cheese Company was founded in 1949, by Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Basloe; since that time, the Basloes and their sons have earned a national reputation for their finely crafted artisan cheeses, carrying the proud Herkimer County Cheese tradition forward into the 21st Century; and

WHEREAS, The company's world renowned aged cheddar is used to make all its cheese products which are carefully made in small batches by skilled craftsmen to ensure satisfaction with every bite; its cheese balls, logs, spreads, dips, fudge and other fine products have enjoyed great success with retailers throughout the country; 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 achievements it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Original Herkimer County Cheese Company upon the occasion of being named a 2018 Golden Anniversary honoree by the Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Original Herkimer County Cheese Company.