

BY: Senator KENNEDY

COMMENDING Community Beer Works upon the occasion
of celebrating its 5th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those businesses within the State of New York which distinguish themselves through outstanding professional behavior, corporate innovation, and enduring commitment to the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Community Beer Works upon the occasion of celebrating its 5th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Ethan Box, Dan Conley and Gregory Patterson-Tanski established Community Beer Works, the first nano-brewery in Buffalo, New York; on April 20, 2012, their first beers were launched at Cole's and Mister Goodbar in Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, Community Beer Works won the Governors' Brewers' Cup, which is awarded to the Best Craft Beer in New York State, for their Whale Brown Ale at the TAP New York's Craft Beer and Food Festival held April 29-30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, Community Beer Works has strived to "Embeer Buffalo" by fostering the development of the beer culture within Buffalo, making it one of the premier beer locations in the country; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, Community Beer Works' "The IPA" was awarded 2nd Place in the Brewing News' National IPA Championship, and was named the Best New Brewery in New York State at the Annual RateBeer Best Awards Banquet and Beer Festival; and

WHEREAS, As this exceptional business continues to grow and prosper, it underwent a large expansion project in 2016; dedicated to the community it is a vital part of, Community Beer Works was instrumental in encouraging economic development by renovating two buildings, both of which were historical taverns located on Lafayette Street in the West Side of Buffalo and Niagara Street in Niagara Falls; and

WHEREAS, The success of Community Beer Works is in direct correlation to the efforts of owners, Ethan Box, Dan Conley and Gregory Patterson-Tanski and their staff, 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 business and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges Community Beer Works' success, recognizes its contributions to the local and State economies, and extends its highest commendation to the nano-brewery and its employees, fully confident that it will

enjoy the same sparkling success it has enjoyed thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Community Beer Works upon the occasion of celebrating its 5th Anniversary on April 20, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ethan Box, Dan Conley, and Gregory Patterson-Tanski, Owners, Community Beer Works.