

Assembly Resolution No. 660

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COMMEMORATING the 35th Anniversary of North Quarter Farm and paying just tribute to owner, Ed Tuccio for a career which traversed more than three decades

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and support the leaders of commerce and industry whose accomplishments contribute to economic health and prosperity of the communities of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Ed Tuccio and North Quarter Farm on their 35th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, In 1985, Ed Tuccio, owner and operator of North Quarter Farm in Riverhead, New York, first encountered bison during a trip through Colorado and instantly fell in love; he ultimately purchased two pregnant bison from Custer State Park located in the Black Hills of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, Since his initial purchase, North Quarter Farm now boasts over 300 bison on 250 acres of farmland; and

WHEREAS, In past decades, over 60 million bison once roamed the plains of North America; however, mass hunting of these animals almost drove them to extinction; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to bison farmers like Ed Tuccio, there are now over 650 thousand bison roaming throughout the United States and right here in New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Ed Tuccio and North Quarter Farm; and

WHEREAS, The proud heritage of the North Quarter Farm continues to change and expand with the times, and the farm is poised for success for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 35th Anniversary of North Quarter Farm and pay just tribute to owner, Ed Tuccio for a career which traversed more than three decades; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ed Tuccio, North Quarter Farm, Riverhead, New York.