

BY: Senator RATH

HONORING The Perfect Gift upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Small Business of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce on March 3, 2022

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and businesses that contribute substantially to the economic vitality of their communities, thereby enhancing the economic well-being of 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 honor The Perfect Gift upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Small Business of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 49th Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, March 3, 2022, at Samuel's Grande Manor in Clarence, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Perfect Gift is receiving this prestigious award for its steadfast and unremitting commitment to its Clarence community; and

WHEREAS, The Perfect Gift is a locally owned and operated retail boutique, located in the heart of Clarence Center, New York, occupying the first floor of the historic Eshelman Building; the shop offers a beautiful selection of gifts, including one-of-a-kind items, supporting the work of local artists, home decor, accessories, handbags, jewelry, women's clothing, seasonal gifts, Buffalo/Clarence gifts, and baby gifts; and

WHEREAS, Since its opening in 2003, The Perfect Gift has been used as a platform to help others in multiple capacities as part of "The Perfect Gift Gives Back "project; countless organizations have been supported such as local schools, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Erie County, Roswell, Jaquie Gor A.L.L. foundation, Stop the Clot Alliance, Let Them Laugh out Loud, Wear 'N Share, Hearts and Hands, and Response to Love Organizational, as well as Flight 3407; and

WHEREAS, The Perfect Gift also hosts the "Gratitude Tree" in conjunction with the Englert family of Clarence Center; over the years, this giving project has provided thousands of gifts to help those in need in its local neighborhoods, schools, Oshei's Children's Hospital, Roswell, Cornerstone Manor Women & Children's Shelter, Response to Love Organization, Clarence Food Pantry, and Make-A-Wish families; and

WHEREAS, The success of The Perfect Gift is in direct correlation to the efforts of its owner Deborah Tangelder and her 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 institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges The Perfect Gift's success, recognizes its contributions to the local and State economies, and extends its highest commendation to the corporation and its employees, fully confident that, in its future, it will enjoy the same success which has so characterized its past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor The Perfect Gift upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2022 Small Business of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Deborah Tangelder, Owner, The Perfect Gift.