

BY: Senator STEC

COMMENDING Robert Nemer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 35th Annual J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Robert Nemer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 35th Annual J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award; he will be presented with this esteemed award on Friday, March 8, 2024, at the Sagamore Resort in Bolton Landing, New York; and

WHEREAS, The J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award is the Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce's prestigious community service award, given to recognize and honor an extraordinary individual who has selflessly gone above and beyond by contributing time and energy to help others; Robert Nemer is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1914, the Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce (ARCC) is a 100% membership funded organization representing businesses in New York State's Washington, Warren, Essex and Northern Saratoga Counties; the ARCC is a 501c6 not-for-profit corporation, governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, and does not receive any funding from local, county or state governments; their mission is to serve their members and business community through advocacy efforts, education opportunities, and the power of connection and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nemer moved to Upstate New York in 1970 after teaching elementary school in Philadelphia to help run his father's Volkswagen dealership in Albany; with his brother Peter, Robert Nemer established and grew the Nemer Motor Group which now includes four dealership locations; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nemer is a founding member of the Adirondack Civic Center Coalition, Inc. that was responsible for the acquisition of the Glens Falls Civic Center/Cool Insuring Arena from the City of Glens Falls; and

WHEREAS, In true care for his community, Robert Nemer also started the Kids with Packs Program in partnership with The Post Star and the Tri-County United Way to provide school supplies to children in need in 14 schools across Warren, Washington, Saratoga, and other counties; Robert Nemer also serves as a board member for Hudson Headwaters Health Network, and the SUNY Adirondack Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nemer, in acts of true selflessness, is a major and

regular contributor and sponsor for many community organizations and their events; through the Nemer Motor Group, he has made considerable contributions to Glens Falls Hospital, Saratoga Hospital, St. Peter's Hospital, and Hudson Headwaters Health Network; Robert Nemer and his wife Francine have also personally donated time and funding to these health centers; the two have also contributed to the youth education efforts of The Hyde Collection; and

WHEREAS, Robert Nemer is a very active member of the Lake George Association (LGA) and a founding member of LG30, a select group of donors committed to the LGA mission of protecting and safeguarding Lake George; he also serves on the LGA's Council of Business Advisors and invests in the LGA's Science-to-Solutions programs; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Robert Nemer 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 Robert Nemer, 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 commend Robert Nemer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 35th Annual J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Robert Nemer.