

BY: Senator WALCZYK

HONORING The Tack Shack upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2024 Small Business of the Year Award for Lewis County, New York

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 Tack Shack upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2024 Small Business of the Year Award for Lewis County, New York, which was celebrated on Thursday, May 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, The Tack Shack received this prestigious award for its steadfast and unremitting commitment to its Lewis County community; and

WHEREAS, In May of 2023, with grants, loans, business planning, and training from Onondaga-Watertown Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and Naturally Lewis, a champion of community growth, owner of The Tack Shack, Edward Johnson, established his small business to devotedly serve its community's needs; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Edward Johnson, a certified farrier, The Tack Shack offers supplies and services to the local equine community; and

WHEREAS, The Tack Shack is a mobile business, primarily serving New York State's Otter Creek Horse Trail System and equine-related events, uniting equine enthusiasts within the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, The Tack Shack has stood as a beloved establishment which has equipped riders with the supplies they need for the health and well-being of their horses and the enjoyment of the bonding experience of horseback riding; 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 success it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor The Tack Shack upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2024 Small Business of the Year Award for Lewis County, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Edward Johnson, Owner, The Tack Shack.