

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Richard Gottlieb, of Rock and Snow in New Paltz, upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Leadership Award for Corporate Philanthropy by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Mid Hudson Valley Chapter

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of the community are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gottlieb has given not only of this time and energies, but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Richard Gottlieb, of Rock and Snow in New Paltz, upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Leadership Award for Corporate Philanthropy by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Mid Hudson Valley Chapter; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gottlieb, through his business, Rock and Snow, both he and his entire staff have promoted community activism and investment, and consequently have been recognized with this auspicious award; and

WHEREAS, The Association of Fundraising Professionals is an organization that empowers individuals to help make a difference through philanthropy and provide cost-effective education, networking and professional resources close to home; the Mid Hudson Valley Chapter serves the counties of Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan and Ulster; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gottlieb's passion for rock and ice climbing began in the early 1970s, and has allowed him to explore the world, new experiences and has brought him closer to nature; and

WHEREAS, He began working at Rock and Snow in New Paltz in 1982 and purchased the business in 2000; Rock and Snow carries the newest and most innovative gear and clothing related to climbing and other forms of human powered outdoor recreation; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Richard Gottlieb and his staff have helped to educate recreation seekers and residents, while at the same time inspiring others to take part in efforts to help protect the Shawangunk Mountains; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gottlieb and his staff at Rock and Snow also support numerous local nonprofits and causes such as, hosting the New Paltz Farmer's Market to support local farmers and attract tourism; they are a major sponsor of the "Turkey Trot" to benefit Family of New Paltz; they have provided space for Habitat for Artists, and have hosted several fundraising events to encourage donations and provide support to local organizations; Richard has a belief that investing in the community is one of the best investments a corporation can make; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gottlieb has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic endeavors and has always given of himself selflessly; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Teri, and their daughter, Celia, both of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and share in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Richard Gottlieb, of Rock and Snow in New Paltz, upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Leadership Award for Corporate

Philanthropy by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Mid Hudson

Valley Chapter; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Richard Gottlieb, 50 Hillside Avenue, Highland, New York 12528.