

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Rick Alfandre upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Alumnus of the Year, on May 9, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Rick Alfandre upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Alumnus of the Year; and

WHEREAS, The Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 9, 2013, at the Wiltwyck Golf Club in Kingston, New York; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Rick Alfandre has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to both his community and profession and consequently has been selected for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Rick Alfandre, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, is a prolific architect who, over the past 32 years, has designed and built more than 200 projects ranging from solar residences, churches and synagogues to manufacturing facilities, multi-million dollar hotels and resorts; and

WHEREAS, He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from SUNY New Paltz in 1980, and a Master of Architecture degree from the School of Architecture at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 1987; and

WHEREAS, The founder and CEO of Alfandre Architecture, Rick Alfandre is an expert in the design of maximally energy-efficient, climactically responsive buildings that are solar-ready, as well as state-of-the-art construction systems that minimize energy requirements; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to creating spaces and places of lasting beauty, Rick Alfandre works closely with clients to plan for efficient, resilient and cost-effective projects; he launched EcoBuilders Inc. in 2009 to provide full design/build services to his clients; and

WHEREAS, Rick Alfandre is also a leader in the green building movement in upstate New York, and has spoken extensively on green building to business and consumer audiences around his region; and

WHEREAS, Rick Alfandre was recently elected Vice Chair of the New York Upstate Chapter of the United States Green Building Council and has worked to develop the regional programs of the Council's Hudson Valley Branch; and

WHEREAS, Rick Alfandre has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, He is a member of the SUNY New Paltz School Business Advisory Council, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Mountain Laurel Waldorf School, and a past board member of the Ulster County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Rick Alfandre is also past president of the New Paltz Rotary Club; he was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Foundation in 2009; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Rick Alfandre was on the Town of Esopus Environmental Advisory Board, serving for nine years as a member, and two years as its Chair; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of

the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Rick Alfandre upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Alumnus of the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rick Alfandre.