

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jeffrey J. Coghlan upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Broome County Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Baden-Powell Council

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, Jeffrey J. Coghlan has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jeffrey J. Coghlan upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Broome County Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Baden-Powell Council; this auspicious occasion was celebrated at its annual fundraising dinner on Thursday, February 4, 2016, at The McKinley, Endicott, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Boy Scouts of America, Baden-Powell Council's Broome County Distinguished Citizen Award recognizes individuals who set positive examples for others and who demonstrate concern and significant care for their communities; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey J. Coghlan has forty-five years of experience in restaurant management, and is the Chief Operating Officer of 45 companies which operate 240 Wendy's restaurants located throughout the United States and in the province of Alberta, Canada; and

WHEREAS, A Wendy's franchisee since 1989, Jeffrey J. Coghlan has been responsible for the back office support of his various restaurant affiliations, and leads a team of more than 50 employees at his office in Cortland, New York; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed business leader has served as a Wendy's National Advertising Program Trustee and a member of both its Franchise Advisory Council and PAC Advisory Board; he is also Co-Chair of the Old Fashioned Franchise Association, the independent association of Wendy's Franchisees; and

WHEREAS, Recently, Jeffrey J. Coghlan has added Moe's Southwest Grill to his restaurant portfolio, and has become a member of the company's Franchise Advisory Council and Marketing Committee; he has also been involved in the development of the start-up concept, Core Greens, Grains and Bone Broth; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey J. Coghlan has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; he has served on numerous local charity, ministry and community boards, and participated in a multitude of fundraisers for worthy causes; and

WHEREAS, A resident of the Binghamton area since 1983, Jeffrey J. Coghlan's community involvement began soon after his arrival when he became active with CHOW, and later, the Broome County Council of Churches; and

WHEREAS, In recent years, Jeffrey J. Coghlan helped create the Wendy's Walk for Kids, a very successful fundraising effort benefitting local children's charities; he has also graciously set up the Hope Tent at the annual Spiedie Fest, as a family friendly place to visit during the event; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Jeffrey J. Coghlan serves locally, as a board member at both Davis College and Broome County Community Charities, and nationally, as a board member with the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and honors for his outstanding service, Jeffrey J. Coghlan has been presented with the Wendy's

Eagle Award, Wendy Award, Diamond Award and Dave's MBA; he was also inducted into the Wendy's Hall of Fame Class of 2005; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Jeffrey J. Coghlan has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Jeffrey J. Coghlan has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jeffrey J. Coghlan upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Broome County Distinguished Citizen Award by the Boy Scouts of America, Baden-Powell Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jeffrey J. Coghlan.