Senate Resolution No. 1344

BY: Senator STEC

CONGRATULATING the Adirondack Sky Center and Observatory upon the occasion of winning an Emmy Award for its participation in NASA's 2024 solar eclipse live broadcast

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor and pay tribute to those organizations whose commitment and creative talents have contributed to the entertainment and cultural enrichment of their community, the State of New York, the Nation, and the world; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Adirondack Sky Center and Observatory upon the occasion of winning an Emmy Award for its participation in NASA's 2024 solar eclipse live broadcast; and

WHEREAS, During the 2024 total solar eclipse, NASA executed a complex live program that required close collaboration with several locations along the line of totality, including the Adirondack Sky Center; and

WHEREAS, NASA's program, titled "2024 Total Solar Eclipse: Through the Eyes of NASA," won the News and Documentary Emmy for Outstanding Live News Special, a prestigious award in television programming; and

WHEREAS, The live coverage program has gathered nearly 40 million live and replay views across NASA distribution channels, and the broadcast was picked up in 2,208 hits on 568 channels in 25 countries, making this broadcast internationally known and respected; and

WHEREAS, As part of this NASA program, the Adirondack Sky Center utilized its high-powered telescopes and specialized software to provide a live view of the eclipse as it occurred over Tupper Lake, New York; and

WHEREAS, In tandem with providing live coverage for this broadcast, the Adirondack Sky Center simultaneously hosted an event titled "Totality in Tupper," which gathered over 15,000 people in Tupper Lake, New York, to witness this historical event; and

WHEREAS, Adirondack Sky Center Board President Seth McGowan was responsible for leading the totality event and working directly with NASA and other stakeholders to ensure the live coverage was executed flawlessly; and

WHEREAS, While the Emmy Award is in Seth McGowan's name, he has made it clear that the credit should go to the entire Adirondack Sky Center's board, staff, and volunteers for their efforts; and

WHEREAS, The hard work of all the individuals involved in executing

the NASA live broadcast at the Adirondack Sky Center has allowed individuals from around the world to experience the historical 2024 total solar eclipse from the viewpoint of Tupper Lake, New York, and their efforts should be recognized; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Adirondack Sky Center and Observatory upon the occasion of winning an Emmy Award for its participation in NASA's 2024 solar eclipse live broadcast; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Adirondack Sky Center and Observatory.