

Senate Resolution No. 372

**BY:** Senator GALLIVAN

**HONORING** Prominent Coffee Co. upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the People's Choice Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce on March 21, 2024

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those distinguished individuals and businesses which 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 Prominent Coffee Co. upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the People's Choice Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 52nd Annual Awards Gala on Thursday, March 20, 2024; and

**WHEREAS,** Having opened its doors only one-and-a-half years ago, Prominent Coffee Co. has quickly become a beloved gathering spot in the Clarence community and has been justly selected to receive the distinguished People's Choice Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce for its service to its community and high favorability; and

**WHEREAS,** The owner of Prominent Coffee Co., Stephen Szortyka, is a successful and creative businessman; he has over 21 years of experience designing haunted attractions across the globe and has operated a thriving marketing agency for the last eight years, helping brands shine through innovative strategies and bold new ideas; and

**WHEREAS,** Not only is Stephen Szortyka known for his exceptional business endeavors, but he is also renowned for his commitment to his community; he proudly serves on the boards of impactful nonprofits such as Hope Rises and Sophia the Fierce; additionally, he supports initiatives such as Sweet Buffalo and Be A Blessing Buffalo, always giving of his time and energy to causes close to his heart; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense 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 Prominent Coffee Co. upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the People's Choice Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Stephen Szortyka, Owner of Prominent Coffee Co.

