Assembly Resolution No. 1110

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COMMEMORATING the 100th Anniversary of Rome Specialty Company, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and businesses that contribute substantially to the economic vitality of their communities, thereby enhancing 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 commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Rome Specialty Company, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Rome Specialty Company, Inc. (ROSCO) has been manufacturing terminal fishing tackle in Rome, New York since 1926, and is the oldest and largest manufacturer of such products in the United States; and

WHEREAS, From its inception, ROSCO's principal products have been sport and commercial fishing swivels, snaps, sleeves, and rings made of either brass or stainless steel and can be plated in nickel or oxidized in black; and

WHEREAS, All ROSCO products are designed specifically for fishing, however, some products have become popular with renaissance re-enactment groups who link them together to make chainmail clothing and accessories; ROSCO products can also be found attached to kites, surfboard leashes, dog collars, and in unique custom jewelry; and

WHEREAS, Over the decades, the company has refined manufacturing techniques, expanded product lines, and adapted to meet the evolving needs of retailers and anglers alike; and

WHEREAS, Through global conflicts, economic shifts, evolving technology, and dramatic changes in the global supply chain, ROSCO has remained rooted in the belief that quality products and American manufacturing matters; and

WHEREAS, With ROSCO keeping their manufacturing in the United States, they contribute to their local and state economy, support American jobs, improve their efficiency, better protect the environment, and reduce the trade deficit; and

WHEREAS, Rome Specialty Company, Inc., in its centennial year of operation, is led by President Jack Butts, the fourth-generation leader following in the footsteps of founder J. Howard Butts; and

WHEREAS, The success of Rome Specialty Company, Inc. is in direct correlation to the efforts of its leadership and hardworking and dedicated staff, all of whom are considered integral parts of the success of the business; their involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and

an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the business and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business, its contributions to the local and state economies, and its vibrant role in improving the quality of life in its community, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Rome Specialty Company, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rome Specialty Company, Inc.