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LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., APRIL 26™, 2018 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 26th day of April, 2018 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, Grand Island Farms, Inc. was founded in 2017 with 36 farms and supporting members that provide fresh meats, produce and other agricultural products to the community on a regular basis; and

WHEREAS, Grand Island Farms, Inc. makes its home at the Long Road farm of Tom Thompson & Sons, where visitors have the opportunity to see chickens and ducks as well as corn ripening in the adjacent field, while listening to live music and enjoying foods cooked on the premises; and

WHEREAS, Grand Island Farms, Inc. gives back to the community however they can, hosting monthly meetings, open to the public, with topics related to farming and gardening, including beekeeping, garden planning, seed starting and microgreens; and

WHEREAS, Grand Island Farms, Inc. also offers a weekly market at Roswell Cancer Institute; and

WHEREAS, Grand Island Farms, Inc. participates in the Independence Day parade, as well as the Taste of Grand Island, hosts an annual farm dinner in October featuring locally grown food, holds an annual artisan event, celebrates Halloween with pumpkin carvings, and holds a winter market that features seasonal crafts and Christmas trees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature applauds **Grand Island Farms**, **Inc.** for receiving the 2017 Agricultural Development Award from the Grand Island Chamber of Commerce, and for its dedication to the Town of Grand Island as a positive influence on environment of the future.

Kevin R. Hardwick
Erie County Legislator – 4th District

Robert M. Graber Clerk of the Legislature of Erie County