PROCLAMATION CELEBRATING TRE MONTI RISTORANTE AS HOUR DETROIT'S 2012 RESTAURANT OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, The San Marino Club launched **Tre Monti Ristorante** in 2008 as a signature destination restaurant, offering the cuisine of San Marino, the tiny republic nestled amid the mountains of north-central Italy; and

WHEREAS, Today, just one dish from that cuisine remains on the menu that has become classically northern Italian, Lasagna Verdi al Forno, a 15-layer creation of fresh spinach pasta, Parmigiano Reggiano, and Bolognese Sauce; and

WHEREAS, Tre Monti's striking building has the look of a European country estate, with two fireplaces, colorful brocade and sheer panels draped from the ceiling. Guests are seated at white-linen tables with impeccable settings including English china and served by well-dressed staff in dark business suits; and

WHEREAS, The Tre Monti dining experience is orchestrated by operating partner Zharko Palushaj, a Montenegro native who studied culinary arts in Europe and New York, and brought his recipes and much of his well-trained staff to Troy. The professional wait staff with very impressive resumes are all of European heritage, with the exception of one; and

WHEREAS, A crucial element that distinguishes **Tre Monti** from other restaurants is that its diners are never rushed, the table is theirs for as long as they wish to stay; and

WHEREAS, Under the direction of **Chef Marc Casadei**, diners experience interesting and unique appetizers, soups, pastas, desserts and of course, main dishes completely garnished with different accompaniments, all made from the freshest quality ingredients; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor and City Council of the City of Troy hereby congratulate **Tre Monti's on being named Hour Magazines 2012 Restaurant of the Year** and recognizes its impact upon our community as it serves as a steadfast and dedicated business in the City of Troy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor, City Council and City Management wholeheartedly agree with Hour Magazine that "With its soothing atmosphere, finely prepared fare, and admirable service, **Tre Monti** is a hideaway that deserves to be discovered."

Presented this 8th day of April 2013.