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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Ellen Hughes upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2013 Citizen of the Year Award by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Ellen Hughes has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Ellen Hughes upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2013 Citizen of the Year Award by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at the Chamber's Annual Dinner Meeting on Friday, January 24, 2014, at the Waterloo/Seneca Falls Holiday Inn, Waterloo, New York; and WHEREAS, Ellen Hughes has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Born in Rochester, New York, Ellen Hughes has taught Spanish for 27 years and 26 years were spent at Waterloo High School; and WHEREAS, Ellen Hughes is the District Governor of more than 60 Rotary Clubs in District 7120; in this capacity, she hosts Rotarians from around the world who visit Seneca County, and is only the third woman to be named to this esteemed position; and WHEREAS, She is a six-time recipient of the Paul Harris Award, Rotary's highest honor; and WHEREAS, Active within her community, Ellen Hughes serves on the St. Mary's Parish Council, is head of the St. Mary's Festival, and is an advisor to international exchange students; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Ellen Hughes has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Ellen Hughes has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Jim Hughes, two grown children, Nicole and Joseph, and one stepdaughter, Tara, as well as two grandchildren, Alexis and Corinne, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; 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 Ellen Hughes upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2013 Citizen of the Year Award by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ellen Hughes.