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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Christine Bow upon the occasion of her designation as 2014 New York Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher of the Year on March 22, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Christine Bow upon the occasion of her designation as 2014 New York Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher of the Year, to be commemorated at the 12th Annual Celebrate Agriculture Dinner on March 22, 2014, in Batavia, New York; and

WHEREAS, Christine Bow is a Batavia, New York native, and graduate of the State University of New York at Geneseo with 30 years of teaching experience; she is a first-grade teacher at Jackson Primary School in Batavia, and was nominated for this prestigious award by Genesee County Agriculture in the Classroom Coordinator Barbara Sturm; and

WHEREAS, As recipient of the Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher of the Year Award, Christine Bow will receive a trip to the 2014 National Agriculture in the Classroom Conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania; this is the first time a teacher from Western New York has received this esteemed award; and

WHEREAS, With a passion for teaching, Christine Bow is dedicated to integrating agricultural education into her classroom, and inspiring her students to develop an understanding and appreciation for farming; and

WHEREAS, Christine Bow believes illustrating agricultural concepts enhances her students' understanding of social studies, reading, math

and science; she incorporates books, games and activities with farming themes in her classroom; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Christine Bow's students learn about horticulture, incubation and embryology through her facilitation of direct interaction with plants and animals, fostering an excitement for learning; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Randy and their two children, Amanda and Eric, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Christine Bow has continuously demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered at her school; and

WHEREAS, Teachers like Christine Bow provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of young people in their educational journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Christine Bow upon the occasion of her designation as 2014 New York Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher of the Year on March 22, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Christine Bow.