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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Leah Powell Tyrrell upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Volunteer Spirit Award, to be celebrated at the Stakeholders' 2014 GOBY Awards Ceremony on April 23, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to the dedicated efforts of those individuals and organizations from across the State of New York who volunteer their time and energies in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism is an essential element of all societies; it provides a way in which the human values of community, caring and serving can be sustained and strengthened; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Leah Powell Tyrrell upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Volunteer Spirit Award to be celebrated at the Stakeholders' 2014 GOBY Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, April 23, 2014, at the GE Theatre at Proctors, Schenectady, New York; and

WHEREAS, The GOBY Awards (Get on Board Volunteer Awards) recognize companies, organizations and individuals who have provided exemplary volunteer services in New York's Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, Leah Powell Tyrrell is the co-owner of the fine dining restaurant, Tala, An American Bistro, located in Latham, New York; and

WHEREAS, Prior to becoming a restaurateur, Leah Powell Tyrrell worked as Director of Marketing for the Desmond Hotel, organizing such large events as the American Wine Festival and the hotel's New Year's Eve Festivals; and

WHEREAS, Leah Powell Tyrrell was also appointed Director of Internal Communications for the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance by Governor George Pataki; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed woman is extremely active in her community,

serving as Executive Director of the Volunteer Center of the Capital Region, a clearing house for volunteer personnel in the area; she is also founder and Chairwoman of the Holiday Kickoff Party, the flagship fundraiser for the St. Peter's Hospital Foundation; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Leah Powell Tyrrell has given of her time and energies at numerous charitable organizations and events, including the St. Peter's Hospital Foundation, the Albany Tulip Ball, the Shaker Museum and Library, Homeless and Travelers Aid Society and many more; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism promotes family and community solidarity; most importantly, people who contribute their time in civic and charitable endeavors inspire others to the call of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Leah Powell Tyrrell upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Volunteer Spirit Award at the Stakeholder's 2014 GOBY Awards Ceremony on April 23, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leah Powell Tyrrell.