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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Melanie Schnoll Begun upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Rotary Club of Verrazano at its 36th Annual Dinner Dance on May 2, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities of New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those who distinguish themselves in their profession and in service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Melanie Schnoll Begun upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Rotary Club of Verrazano at its 36th Annual Dinner Dance on Friday, May 2, 2014, at Gargiulo's Restaurant in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Rotary International is dedicated to the development of fellowship and understanding among business and professional leaders, the promotion of community-betterment endeavors and of high standards in business and professional practices, and the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace; and

WHEREAS, Each year at its Annual Dinner Dance the Rotary Club of Verrazano proudly honors individuals who exemplify those principles; Melanie Schnoll Begun truly merits such recognition; and

WHEREAS, Melanie Schnoll Begun, a resident of New York City, holds a Bachelor's degree in Literature and Rhetoric from Binghamton University, as well as a Juris Doctorate from Quinnipiac University School of Law; and

WHEREAS, As Managing Director, Melanie Schnoll Begun leads Morgan Stanley's Private Wealth Management by developing areas of focus, engag-

ing multiple generations in the foundation's governance, programming and evaluation, as well as designing customized domestic and international grant-making portfolios, and facilitating corporate and nonprofit meetings, giving circles and retreats; and

WHEREAS, A true leader, Melanie Schnoll Begun serves as the Board's President, was instrumental in the 2012 launch of Foundation Management Services, and publishes quarterly and annual journals for clients and the industry; she is also a frequent speaker at both national and regional conferences; and

WHEREAS, An insightful and tireless advocate, Melanie Schnoll Begun is the current nominating chair and former Board President of the New York City chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the co-chair and head of grant-making of Inwood Charities, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Melanie Schnoll Begun serves on the advisory boards of the Naomi Berrie Diabetes Center, Quinnipiac Law School, and Grameen America; she is on the founding council of TAMID, a progressive synagogue in downtown Manhattan, and was the Treasurer of the Partnership for Philanthropic Planning; and

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

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

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Melanie Schnoll Begun upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Rotary Club of Verrazano at its 36th Annual

Dinner Dance on May 2, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Melanie Schnoll Begun.