LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Robert Curley upon the occasion of his designation as 2014 Champion for Children by Northern Rivers Family Services

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, Robert Curley has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Robert Curley upon the occasion of his designation as 2014 Champion for Children by Northern Rivers Family Services; he will be celebrated on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Troy, New York; and WHEREAS, Robert Curley is a highly respected business leader, banking executive and community advocate; his generosity and kindness in giving back to his community has been an inspiration to many; and WHEREAS, As New York Chairman of Berkshire Bank, and throughout his illustrious career in New York's Capital Region as President of KeyBank, Charter One and Citizens Bank, Robert Curley has been committed to supporting the growth and development of others; and WHEREAS, Robert Curley has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and WHEREAS, He is a member of the Board of Directors of Siena College, and serves on the boards of New York Business Development Corporation, Capitalize Albany, and the Center for Economic Growth as well; he has also served as Chairman of Catholic Charities, the Doane Stuart School, Coaches vs. Cancer, and the Sports Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Robert Curley has a demonstrated commitment to supporting children and families; this compassionate man has volunteered actively with several youth and family-oriented organizations, including Wildwood Programs, Double H Ranch, Albany's Neighborhood Revitalization Committee, the Boy Scouts, Junior Achievement, and the United Way; and WHEREAS, He has been recognized for his contributions and leadership; SUNY University at Albany presented him with its prestigious Citizen Laureate Award and, in 2009, he was elected to the Tech Valley Business Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Robert Curley 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 Robert Curley has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Robert Curley upon the occasion of his designation as 2014 Champion for Children by Northern Rivers Family Services; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Robert Curley.