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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Theresa A. Pardo upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Rockefeller College Distinguished Service Award by the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy

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, Dr. Theresa A. Pardo 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 Dr. Theresa A. Pardo upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Rockefeller College Distinguished Service Award by the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, to be celebrated at its 2014 Alumni Dinner and Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 16, 2014, at the New York State Museum, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each year, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy honors individuals such as Dr. Theresa A. Pardo, for their outstanding contributions in the areas of political science, public administration, leadership, and continuing professional development; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Theresa A. Pardo is director of the Center for Technology in Government and holds research professorships appointments at the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy and the College of Computing and Information, at the University at Albany; and

WHEREAS, In addition, she is co-developer of the top ranked program in Government Information Strategy and Management offered by the Department of Public Administration and Policy at Rockefeller College; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Dr. Theresa A. Pardo, the Center works closely with government, civil society and industry teams

in the United States and around the world to carry out applied research and problem solving projects focused on the intersections of policy, management, and technology in the governmental context; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Dr. Theresa A. Pardo has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Theresa A. Pardo serves as Open NY Advisor to New York State's Governor, and was recently appointed International Advisor to the E-Government Committee for the China Information Association; she also serves as President of the Digital Government Society, a global multi-disciplinary organization of scholars and practitioners interested in the development and impacts of digital government; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Dr. Theresa A. Pardo serves on numerous national and international advisory and editorial boards, some of which include, Government Information Quarterly, the US Government Accountability Office Executive Council on Information, Management and Technology, and the Data Center for Applied Research in Social Sciences at Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economicas (CIDE) in Mexico City; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Theresa A. Pardo is also a Senior Advisor to the Information Research Institution, State Information Center in China, and is a member of the Board of Champions Working Group for the NYS STEAM Girls Collaborative; and

WHEREAS, Working in collaboration with colleagues from around the world and across sectors and disciplines, Dr. Theresa A. Pardo has published over 120 articles, research reports, practice guides, book chapters and case studies; she has received numerous awards and accolades for her work including Best Journal and Conference Paper Awards

for her published work, and the University at Albany's Excellence in Teaching Award; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Theresa A. Pardo 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Theresa A. Pardo upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Rockefeller College Distinguished Service Award by the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Theresa A. Pardo.