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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Liam Fitzsimmons upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Young Alumnus in Political Science 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, Liam Fitzsimmons has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Liam Fitzsimmons upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Young Alumnus in Political Science 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 Liam Fitzsimmons, for their outstanding contributions in the areas of political science, public administration, leadership, and continuing professional development; and WHEREAS, A 2005 graduate of SUNY Albany with a Bachelor of Arts degree, Liam Fitzsimmons is Congresswoman Louise Slaughter's Chief of Staff; and

WHEREAS, Now in his eighth year working in the United States Congress, Liam Fitzsimmons previously handled defense appropriations for Congressman Maurice Hinchey, and has been the campaign manager for three successful Congressional campaigns; his first job was working at his parents' farm market along Seneca Lake, New York; and WHEREAS, Liam Fitzsimmons hails from the Town of Hector in the Finger

Lakes region of New York, and currently, is a graduate student at the Naval War College; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes note of certain altruistic individuals it wishes to acknowledge for their philanthropic contributions to our society which enhance the basic humanity among us all; Liam Fitzsimmons's beloved charity is DC Central Kitchen; and WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Jen, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; he is also the proud uncle of one nephew and one niece; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Liam Fitzsimmons 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 Liam Fitzsimmons has displayed throughout his 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 Liam Fitzsimmons upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Young Alumnus in Political Science Award by the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Liam Fitzsimmons.