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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Sister Janet DiPasquale upon the occasion of being selected as the 2014 Social Worker of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers, New York State Chapter

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize those extraordinary individuals who have made contributions to the success and progress of society in the course of their life's work; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Sister Janet DiPasquale upon the occasion of being selected as the 2014 Social Worker of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers, New York State Chapter; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Medaille College, Sister Janet DiPasquale has a master's degree in counseling from Canisius College, and a master's degree in social work from the University at Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, Sister Janet DiPasquale is a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph congregation based in Clarence, New York; she has been actively engaged in social work for more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Sister Janet DiPasquale serves as Executive Director of the Teaching and Restoring Youth (TRY) program in Buffalo, New York, which provides transitional housing and access to education, counseling, health care and job training for young women ages 16 to 24 who are homeless or trauma victims; and

WHEREAS, Most recently, Sister Janet DiPasquale became involved in the establishment of an eight-unit apartment building, known as TRY Level 2, which offers independent living opportunities for women affiliated with the TRY program; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Sister Janet DiPasquale has

displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Sister Janet DiPasquale upon the occasion of being selected as the 2014 Social Worker of the Year by the National Association of Social Workers, New York State Chapter; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sister Janet DiPasquale.