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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Marianne Gallagher upon the occasion of being selected as the Seneca County 2014 Senior Citizen of the Year by the New York State Office for the Aging

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Marianne Gallagher upon the occasion of being selected as the Seneca County 2014 Senior Citizen of the Year; this momentous occasion will be celebrated at the New York State Office for the Aging's 2014 Senior Citizens Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, at the Hart Theatre Lounge in the Egg, Albany, New York; and WHEREAS, Each May in the State of New York and across the Nation, during National Older Americans Month, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens: and WHEREAS, Furthermore, members of the older generation have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have

defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Marianne Gallagher, a very active and industrious woman, has inspired and enriched the lives of her family and friends through her love and respect for others, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; and WHEREAS, A resident of Canandaigua, New York, Marianne Gallagher lives in the same house she grew up in, and is the fourth generation within her family to live in the home; and WHEREAS, Marianne Gallagher has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and WHEREAS, An avid volunteer and truly dedicated to her community, Marianne Gallagher has been involved in numerous committees and organizations, some of which include Ontario Yates Fund for Women, Sonnenberg Gardens and Mansion State Historic Park, the Orange County Historical Society, and Canandaigua Antique Committee; and WHEREAS, Following in the footsteps of her father, founding President of the Kiwanis Club of Canandaigua, Marianne Gallagher, with a passion for helping children and the community, was the founder of a Free Clinic in Illinois, as well as an HIV/AIDS Clinic; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Marianne Gallagher has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her four loving children and her four beautiful grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize and commend those who have witnessed and contributed to the developments and achievements of our Nation, State, and communities over the course of their noteworthy lives; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Marianne Gallagher upon the occasion of being selected as the Seneca County 2014 Senior Citizen of the Year by the New York State Office for the Aging; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marianne Gallagher.