LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Anna Piper upon the occasion of her designation as a Mother of Pearl by the Frank Chapman Memorial Institute on May 10, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those individuals of firm belief and commitment who have devoted their purposeful lives to the service of faith and community; Anna Piper is one such individual; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Anna Piper upon the occasion of her designation as a Mother of Pearl by the Frank Chapman Memorial Institute to be celebrated at its 6th Annual Mothers of Pearl Extravaganza on Saturday, May 10, 2014, at the Albany Ramada Plaza Hotel in Albany, New York; and WHEREAS, A pillar in her community, Anna Piper is being recognized as a strong woman who has shown extraordinary wisdom, courage and strength in her community; and WHEREAS, Anna Piper, affectionately known as Ann, has been recognized by her colleagues and friends for her hard work and legacy; for 47 years, she worked with the New York State Department of Labor; and WHEREAS, Anna Piper has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; she served as a choir director, and youth director for her church, First Israel AME Church; and WHEREAS, Anna Piper enjoys singing, reading, crocheting, and spending time with her family; and WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband of 64 years, Hilliard, until his passing, and their six children, as well as 21 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild, all of

whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Anna Piper 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 Anna Piper has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Anna Piper upon the occasion of her designation as a Mother of Pearl by the Frank Chapman Memorial Institute on May 10, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anna Piper.