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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending S. Eric King and Kathy Thiel upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Edwin Sperber Legacy Award by the Northeast Kidney Foundation

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, J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Edwin Sperber Legacy Award by the Northeast Kidney Foundation; they will be honored at the Foundation's 2014 Gift of Life Celebration on Thursday, May 22, 2014, at the Hilton Albany, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Northeast Kidney Foundation is a voluntary health organization dedicated to preventing kidney disease and enhancing the lives of all those affected; formed in 1974 as a philanthropic gift of Edwin and Rhoda Sperber, the Foundation provides services to patients, family members, the general public and clinical and academic professionals throughout the Northeast; and

WHEREAS, The Edward Sperber Award is conferred upon individuals who, through their philanthropic efforts, improve the quality of life in their community; J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel are two such individuals; and

WHEREAS, J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a

period of constructive involvement, J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel have displayed throughout their lives; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Edwin Sperber Legacy Award; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to J. Eric King and Kathy Thiel.