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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Maureen Munzert upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Small Business Advocate of the Year Award by the Amherst Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are enhanced by the concerned and dedicated efforts of business organizations and individuals that generously contribute to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Maureen Munzert upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Small Business Advocate of the Year Award by the Amherst Chamber of Commerce; this momentous occasion will be celebrated at the Chamber's annual Small Business Awards Luncheon and Showcase, to be held on Friday, May 16, 2014, at Samuel's Grande Manor, Williamsville, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Amherst Chamber of Commerce is one of the 10 largest chambers in New York State due to its steadfast commitment to providing services members need to grow their business and prosperity; each May, the Chamber hosts a luncheon to honor seven outstanding individuals and small businesses in Western New York for their vast contributions to the region; and

WHEREAS, Maureen Munzert, a resident of Williamsville, New York, is a Vice President and Small Business Relationship Manager at the Key Bank Evans Sheridan Branch; she began her banking career at this branch in 1978 at Buffalo Savings Bank as a part time teller, where she built her foundation of the importance of providing superior service of people's banking needs; and WHEREAS, In the early 1980s, Maureen Munzert left the branch to join the Human Resources Training Department to develop and deliver programs focused on service and sales expertise to the Retail network; and WHEREAS, After exposure to commercial banking in 1991, Maureen Munzert came back to the branches, her true love, and in 1996 returned to her home community of Williamsville, where she began her illustrious career; and

WHEREAS, Maureen Munzert's greatest professional pride is the influence she has had in developing a number of Key Bank's most productive associates; with a passion for her job, she truly looks forward to every day she spends with her clients, assisting and guiding them through their financial wins and challenges; and

WHEREAS, Active within her community, Maureen Munzert serves on the Amherst Chamber Business Resource Council and is a Key4Women champion dedicated to helping women-owned businesses grow; and WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Dick, as well as her three children and eight grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Maureen Munzert; 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 recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Maureen Munzert upon the occasion of her designation as recipient

of the 2014 Small Business Advocate of the Year Award by the Amherst Chamber of Commerce; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Maureen Munzert.