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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Doris Wolf of Waterloo, New York, upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Henry C. Welles Award by the Waterloo Library and Historical Society

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Doris Wolf upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Henry C. Welles Award by the Waterloo Library and Historical Society; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at a wine and cheese reception on Friday, May 23, 2014, at the Waterloo Library and Historical Society, Waterloo, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Henry C. Welles Award was established in 2008 by the Waterloo Library and Historical Society to honor a citizen of Waterloo who, through tireless effort and many hours of uncompensated time, has made Waterloo a better place to live, work, worship, understand and enjoy; and

WHEREAS, A retired journalist with many accolades, Doris Wolf has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; she serves tirelessly on 16 different boards of directors and volunteers for an astonishing variety of local programs, causes and activities in her community; and

WHEREAS, Doris Wolf has contributed her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors over the years; she has devoted herself to such worthy causes as Habitat for Humanity, Literacy Volunteers and the Waterloo Celebrate Commemorate Committee, as well as Cornell Cooperative Extension, where she served as a 4-H leader for 28 years; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, Doris Wolf became a Red Cross volunteer, serving as local disaster action team captain, Armed Forces Emergency Services liaison and public affairs liaison; she has ably responded to numerous emergencies, including the 9/11 attacks, Wayne County ice storms, and Hurricanes Katrina and Rita; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed woman is the co-founder of Trevor's Gift, a program which provides an estimated 135 backpacks of food to Waterloo school children each weekend; and

WHEREAS, Doris Wolf is also a founding member of the Matilda Joslyn Gage Foundation and the Finger Lakes Friends of the Women's Rights National Historical Park; she volunteers weekly in the summer at the M'Clintock House in Waterloo, and co-edited the book, HISTORY OF WATER-LOO, 1948 TO 2002; and

WHEREAS, A steadfast supporter of our Nation's troops, Doris Wolf has adopted a platoon from Fort Drum, sending weekly packages of snacks, toiletries, magazines and other items to soldiers on overseas deployments; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman has received numerous awards in recognition of her outstanding service, including the Herbert Wurstner Volunteer of the Year Award from the Seneca County United Way and the International Award from the National 4-H Council; furthermore, she was twice named Citizen of the Year by the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce, and was recognized as a Woman of Distinction by the New York State Senate; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Doris Wolf has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Walter, and their two daughters, Terri-Lynn and Patricia, as well as five grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Doris Wolf has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Doris Wolf upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Henry C. Welles Award by the Waterloo Library and Historical Society; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Doris Wolf.