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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending WRVO Public Media upon the occasion of winning the 2014 regional Edward R. Murrow Award from the Radio Television Digital News Association

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those illustrious documentarians and journalistic entities which have diligently and consistently recorded the history of their communities and served to enhance the stature of this great Empire State; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend WRVO Public Media upon the occasion of winning the 2014 regional Edward R. Murrow Award from the Radio Television Digital News Association; and WHEREAS, Since 1971, the Radio Television Digital News Association has honored outstanding achievements in electronic journalism with the Edward R. Murrow Award; recipients of this prestigious award exemplify the spirit of excellence which Edward R. Murrow set as a standard for the profession of electronic journalism; and WHEREAS, WRVO Public Media is non-profit public radio service licensed to the State University of New York and based at SUNY Oswego; the multi-station network serves more than 15 counties of Central and Northern New York from transmitters in Clayton, Oswego, Syracuse, Utica and Watertown, as well as many smaller communities; and WHEREAS, WRVO is being honored with the 2014 regional Edward R. Murrow Award in recognition of its documentary "New York in the World"; and WHEREAS, "New York in the World" chronicles the lives of New York State residents and their various responses to globalization; the film shares the stories of union workers in Buffalo, fashion designers in New York City and farmers in the Finger Lakes, all talking about finding a

place amid the current economic realities; and

WHEREAS, Globalization has greatly affected the Empire State, and the film seeks to share a wide range of experiences among its citizens; and

WHEREAS, WRVO was invited to produce "New York in the World" by the late Garrick Utley, one of the most distinguished international journalists of his era; a moderator on the television show "Meet the Press", and SUNY Oswego senior fellow and professor of broadcasting and journalism; he commissioned the research which was the basis of the film, and was an important collaborator, as well as narrator on the project; and

WHEREAS, The award-winning documentary was produced by nationally-recognized public radio reporter and contributor to WRVO, Sidsel Overgaard, senior producer Mark Lavonier and Catherine Loper, WRVO director of news and public affairs; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when media organizations 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 WRVO Public Media upon the occasion of winning the 2014 regional Edward R. Murrow Award from the Radio Television Digital News Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to WRVO Public Media.