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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Lawrence T. Gilroy III upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Michael Cianfrocco Family Humanitarian of the Year Award by the American Red Cross of the Mohawk Valley on June 4, 2014

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Lawrence T. Gilroy III upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Michael Cianfrocco Family Humanitarian of the Year Award by the American Red Cross of the Mohawk Valley, to be celebrated at its 15th Annual Real Heroes Breakfast on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at the SUNY IT Field House, Utica, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Michael Cianfrocco Family Humanitarian of the Year Award is presented annually to a person who exemplifies the humanitarian spirit of the Mohawk Valley through his or her positive contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence T. Gilroy III is President of Gilroy, Kernan & Gilroy (GKG) Inc., a Risk Management, Insurance, and Employee Benefit firm located in Central New York since 1904; and

WHEREAS, Earning a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Hamilton College in 1982, Lawrence T. Gilroy III spent three years in New York City after graduation before returning to Upstate New York to purchase the insurance agency founded by his grandfather; five years later, he merged the E.F. & J.S. Kernan Insurance Agency with Gilroy Insurance to

form Gilroy, Kernan & Gilroy Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence T. Gilroy III focuses on strategic leadership of the agency, overseeing its recent expansion into the areas of risk management, employee benefits, and financial services; specializing in manufacturing, construction, healthcare, education, and other accounts, Gilroy, Kernan & Gilroy has been recognized as one of the top 40 companies to work for in New York State; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Lawrence T. Gilroy III, the GKG team has been recognized by Reagan Consulting and the Independent Insurance Agents and Brokers of America as a Best Practices Agency since 2007; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Gilroy, Kernan & Gilroy has been recognized by the American Heart Association as a Fit and Friendly Workplace at the highest Platinum level, as well as by the Business Council of New York, the New York State Human Resource Society and Best Companies, Inc., as the 2010 No. 1 Best Company to Work for in New York State; and

WHEREAS, Active within his community, Lawrence T. Gilroy III currently serves as Chair of the Utica College Board of Trustees, and as a member of the Executive Committee at Mohawk Valley EDGE; he is on the Boiler-maker Road Race committee, and on the Advisory Board of the Masonic Medical Research Lab; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he serves his alma mater as a member of its Alumni Council, while also serving on the boards of Mohawk Valley Network & Faxton St. Luke's Healthcare, as well as the United Way of the Valley & the Greater Utica Area; he has also served as co-Chair of the Regional Economic Development Council for the Mohawk Valley Region since August of 2011; and

WHEREAS, Subsequently, Lawrence T. Gilroy III is the proud recipient of the 2008 Mohawk Valley Chamber of Commerce John T. O'Toole Award, recognizing his unprecedented service to the community; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Elizabeth, and their

three sons, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Lawrence T. Gilroy III upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Michael Cianfrocco Family Humanitarian of the Year Award by the American Red Cross of the Mohawk Valley; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lawrence T. Gilroy III.