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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Kidz4Causes upon the occasion of hosting its 2nd Annual Thumbs Up Awards on June 8, 2014, and paying tribute to this year's honorees

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 reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals that are devoted 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 commend Kidz4Causes upon the occasion of hosting its 2nd Annual Thumbs Up Awards on June 8, 2014, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees; and WHEREAS, Kidz4Causes is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to making the world a better place by fundraising for various charities and finding ways to give back to the community; and WHEREAS, Partnering with the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan County, Kidz4Causes is able to educate children on fundraising and children's rights, and create an outlet for children to be able to give back to their community by harnessing the gift of giving; and WHEREAS, Kidz4Causes has had the pleasure of donating to numerous organizations, some of which include: Haiti, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, Nora Cronin Presentation Academy, Habitat for Humanity, Queen's Galley, Amnesty International, Ronald McDonald House, Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center, Equality Now, Grace Smith House, and Poughkeepsie Day School; and WHEREAS, The evening's honorees include five wonderful collaborators: Carol Lindeman, Volunteer; Juliana LoBiondo, LoBiondo Law; Melissa

McCoy, Elant; Dave Ouelette, Manager, Bon-Ton, Newburgh; and Ina

Tietjen, Hudson Valley SPCA and Bloomingdeal's Resale Store; and WHEREAS, Kidz4Causes is an important part of the community, and stands ready to continue its mission for many years to come; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to organizations such as Kidz4Causes, which serve to bring people together for the united purpose of actively pursuing improvements in their communities; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Kidz4Causes upon the occasion of hosting its 2nd Annual Thumbs Up Awards, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees on June 8, 2014; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Natasha L. W. Vega, President, Kidz4Causes, and the aforemen-

tioned honorees.