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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Joy Marilyn Welcome upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Award for Outstanding Seniors in Service by the BWICA Educational Fund

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 who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Joy Marilyn Welcome upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Award for Outstanding Seniors in Service by the BWICA Educational Fund; this auspicious occasion was celebrated on Wednesday, May 28, 2014, in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Joy Marilyn Welcome 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; and

WHEREAS, Born in Guyana, South America, this esteemed woman migrated to the United States in 1971, where she continued her education and became a Certified Nurses' Assistant; and

WHEREAS, For 35 years, Joy Marilyn Welcome provided exemplary service in the healthcare industry, receiving several awards for most outstanding employee of the year; she has been consistently lauded for her diligence, kindness, compassion and dependability; and

WHEREAS, Joy Marilyn Welcome has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A member of God's Battalion of Prayer Church, Joy Marilyn

Welcome enjoys giving voluntary service to her church community, using her excellent culinary skills, and helping out in the church food pantry; and

WHEREAS, Her commitment to her community was also illustrated through her participation in such worthy causes as the Women's Chorale, Health Fairs, Evangelistic Outreach, and Visitation of the Sick; and

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

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Carl Welcome, their four children, and nine 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 Joy Marilyn Welcome has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Joy Marilyn Welcome upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Award for Outstanding Seniors in Service by the BWICA Educational Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joy Marilyn Welcome.