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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Occupations Foundation. Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its 2014 Gala on November 15, 2014, and applauding the honorees of the evening

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 commend the Occupations Foundation, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its 2014 Gala on November 15, 2014, at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, New York, and to applaud the honorees of the evening; and

WHEREAS, The Occupations Foundation, Inc. is the fundraising organization of Occupations, Inc., Family Empowerment Council, Inc., and New Dynamics Corporation, or often referred to as the Occupations System of Services; and

WHEREAS, Together these three organizations address the needs of thousands in the Hudson Valley through a dynamic system of care, and strive to improve and enrich lives by providing opportunities and choices; and WHEREAS, At its 2014 Gala, the Occupations Foundation, Inc. will honor Michael and Jennifer Bonura, Joseph and J'aime Bonura, and Brent and Mary Caster with its Vision of Hope Award for their many years of dedicated service to the Foundation and the Hudson Valley community; and WHEREAS, Michael and Jennifer Bonura, Joseph and J'aime Bonura, and Brent and Mary Caster have distinguished themselves through outstanding character, leadership, excellence and community involvement; they are all true assets to society; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Michael and Jennifer Bonura, Joseph and J'aime Bonura, and Brent and Mary Caster have displayed throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations and individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend them for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Occupation Foundation, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its 2014 Gala on November 15, 2014, and to applaud the honorees of the evening; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Occupations Foundation, Inc., and the aforementioned honorees.