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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Roberta Byron-Lockwood upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2014 SULLIVAN

COUNTY DEMOCRAT honoring Professional Women and Women in Business

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Roberta Byron-Lockwood 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Roberta Byron-Lockwood upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2014 SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and

WHEREAS, Roberta Byron-Lockwood holds a Master of Business and Public Administration degree; and

WHEREAS, For more than 14 years, Roberta Byron-Lockwood has been an employee of The Sullivan County Visitors Association and currently serves as President/CEO; and

WHEREAS, Prior to her current position, Roberta Byron-Lockwood has served the Association as New York State Deputy Director of Tourism, and Executive Director of the Central Leatherstocking Region; and WHEREAS, The most rewarding aspect of Roberta Byron-Lockwood's job is with the Sullivan County Catskills tourism industry; the dedication and determination of the businesses within the Catskills community keep her energized and inspired to persevere in the industry she feels so passionate about and continue her sparkling success; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, Roberta Byron-Lockwood is thrilled with the multitude of positive responses from visitors of tourism facilities and

publications; she was chosen as one of the representatives to attend the White House Conference on Tourism, and more recently, was honored as a Woman Who Makes a Difference; and

WHEREAS, Roberta Byron-Lockwood has also received several marketing and program awards throughout her tenure in tourism including the New York State Tourism Individual Achievement Award; and WHEREAS, Active in her community, Roberta Byron-Lockwood is affiliated with the Heart-a-Thon, Boys and Girls Club, and Rotary Club, as well as many other vital organizations; in addition, she shares her time with

life for Sullivan County Catskills residents; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Roberta Byron-Lockwood has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

several community enrichment groups who strive to assist the quality of

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Herb, and their three children, Matt, Kelley, and Chris, as well as her mother, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 commend Roberta Byron-Lockwood upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2014 SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Roberta Byron-Lockwood.