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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Haley Zurawel upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding 4-H Member Award by the 4-H Club Program of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene Counties

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accordance with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Haley Zurawel upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding 4-H Member Award by the 4-H Club Program of Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene Counties; and WHEREAS, The 4-H Club is the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization, reaching more than seven million young people in urban neighborhoods, suburban schoolyards and rural farming communities; fueled by a university-backed curriculum, 4-H'ers engage in handson learning activities in the areas of science, healthy living, and food security; and

WHEREAS, The New York State 4-H seeks to foster the development of leadership ability, life skills, and good citizenship in its young men and women; it is the only youth development program directly connected to technological advances and the latest research at Cornell University; and

WHEREAS, Haley Zurawel, the daughter of Thomas and Jessie Zurawel, has been a member of the Bananas 4-H Club, Earlton, New York, for three years; a resident of the Town of Coxsackie, she graduated from Roundout Valley High School; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional young woman has shown a strong interest in attempting to participate in everything 4-H has to offer; her enthusiasm is contagious, making her an inspiration to her fellow club members; and WHEREAS, A true leader and exceptional public speaker, Haley Zurawel has presented at the County Fair and gives back by assisting other club members in preparation for participation in public speaking; she has held officer positions, and is currently supporting the formation of a Cloverbud Club as its Junior Leader; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, she has been an emcee for the 4-H Fashion Show and teaches rabbit showmanship at the 4-H Club level; and WHEREAS, Haley Zurawel exemplifies the best potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; she has brought enduring honor to her family and her community through her many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Haley Zurawel upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding 4-H Member Award, and to extend to her the best wishes of this Legislative Body for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Haley Zurawel.