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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2014 Special Service Recognition of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce

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 enhanced by the concerned and dedicated efforts of business organizations and individuals that generously contribute 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 congratulate Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. of Batavia, New York, upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2014 Special Service Recognition of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. is a community-based, volunteer organization dedicated to assisting cancer patients and their families; they strive to improve quality of life while helping to diminish suffering through its services and financial support; and

WHEREAS, This worthy organization's mission is to educate patients with the necessary knowledge and information with regard to their diagnosis; alleviate or lessen the impact of the difficulties experienced by cancer patients, their families, and other caregivers; provide support to families and providers; serve as a patient advocate; and enhance delivery of appropriate services; and

WHEREAS, Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc., along with its Treasurer, Joe Gerace, provide assistance to relieve the financial burden caused by cancer; they operate solely on funds raised by volunteers to benefit

area patients in Genesee County; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. is present in its community to give non-medical informational resources regarding cancer, such as pamphlets and brochures; they are also instrumental in helping patients and families cope with the emotional, physical, and financial difficulties caused by cancer, as well as offer educational seminars throughout the year for early detection of breast cancer; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. has designed a free monthly program to help with hair loss, skin changes, and provide useful ideas for make-up application; and

WHEREAS, The volunteers of Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. provide free biblical counseling services for cancer patients and their families; this service is designed to offer hope during the difficult season of cancer with the desire to encourage, equip, and empower those affected by this illness; and

WHEREAS, Other services provided by the Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. include home health care services, financial assistance for equipment and prosthetics, and transportation to cancer related treatments or appointments; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commend those organizations and individuals who work to serve the health care needs of citizens of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body recognizes the vital importance of Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. in providing excellence in care through assistance, education and treatment, and its evident commitment to this mission; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. of Batavia, New York, upon

the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2014 Special Service Recognition of the Year Award by the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Genesee Cancer Assistance, Inc. and Treasurer Joe Gerace.