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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Adriana Schaeffer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Academy Award by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 individuals who 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 Adriana Schaeffer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Academy Award by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District to be celebrated at a dinner on Thursday, May 28, 2015, at Congregation Agudat Achim, Niskayuna, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award is bestowed upon individuals who exemplify the mission of the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District through intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, and love of learning while celebrating the richness of their Jewish traditions; and

WHEREAS, Adriana Schaeffer has shown brightly in her respective field, while maintaining a sense of community, service, and integrity, as well as an ongoing commitment to the Jewish foundation instilled in them by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy; and

WHEREAS, A 2007 graduate of the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District, Adriana Schaeffer was a member of the first eighth grade class to travel to Israel; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, Adriana Schaeffer earned her Bachelor's degree in International Affairs and Anthropology from George Washington University, Washington, D.C.; while a student, she spent several months conduct-

ing fieldwork on elderly living conditions in India, and volunteered at a shelter for teenage girls in Peru; and

WHEREAS, Upon graduating, she held the position of intern at both the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), and the White House, as well as for a New York State Senator; and

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

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Adriana Schaeffer has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Adriana Schaeffer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Academy Award by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Adriana Schaeffer.