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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Margination upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Friends of CEO Award by the Commission on Economic Opportunity on May 21, 2015

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 honor Margination upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Friends of CEO Award by the Commission on Economic Opportunity, to be celebrated at its Community Action Luncheon on Thursday, May 21, 2015, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO) was formed in 1965 as a private non-profit Community Action Agency; today there are over 1,100 Community Action Agencies across the country which were created after Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Economic Opportunity Act in 1964; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, CEO creates partnerships and develops opportunities for social and economic growth and empowerment in individuals, families and communities through its five core areas:

Family and Education Support, Early Childhood Education, Employment and Financial Education, Healthy Homes, and Health and Wellness; and WHEREAS, Margination is receiving this auspicious award in recognition of its steadfast dedication to those in the community, and whose unwavering and immutable devotion to the Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO) is an inspiration to all who strive for excellence in supporting

its mission; and

WHEREAS, Located in Troy, New York, Margination is a nonprofit organization dedicated to turning people from all walks of life into leaders and job creators; this vital organization is building a network of worker-owned businesses that share resources and support one another; and WHEREAS, Margination's cooperation infrastructure serves as a model for communities struggling with poverty and unemployment; they provide space, equipment and technical support to its business network, and build community and skill sharing opportunities for workers, entrepreneurs and their families; and

WHEREAS, The success of Margination is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Margination upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Friends of CEO Award by the Commission on Economic Opportunity on May 21, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Margination, Troy, New York.