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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Kathy Panepento upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Women of Distinction Peace Award by the Genesee County YWCA on June 13, 2015

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, Kathy Panepento 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 honor Kathy Panepento upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Women of Distinction Peace Award by the Genesee County YWCA, to be celebrated at its inaugural Women of Distinction Awards Gala on Saturday, June 13, 2015, at Stuart Steiner Theatre, Genesee Community College, Batavia, New York; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Panepento 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, In 1998, Kathy Panepento founded Crossroads House, a comfort care home for those who have a terminal illness and have been medically determined to be in the last three months of life; and

WHEREAS, Located in Batavia, New York, this vital organization is an alternative to a hospital or nursing home when care can no longer be provided in the patient's own home; its services are provided for residents of Genesee, Wyoming and surrounding counties free of charge; and WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Kathy Panepento, a Registered Nurse, Crossroads House gives its patients an opportunity to live their remaining days to the fullest; her knowledge of palliative care, compas-

sionate heart, and a true passion for giving her patients both comfort and control, enable those who may otherwise be suffering, the ability to be at peace; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Kathy Panepento 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 Kathy Panepento has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 honor Kathy Panepento upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Women of Distinction Peace Award by the Genesee County YWCA on June 13, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kathy Panepento.