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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Robert Skelly upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Salem Rotary Club

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, Robert Skelly has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Robert Skelly upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Salem Rotary Club; this momentous occasion was celebrated at its Annual Citizen of the Year Awards Dinner; and

WHEREAS, Robert Skelly has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A member and Salutatorian of this year's Salem Washington Academy senior class, Robert Skelly was chosen for this most auspicious honor for his steadfast participation in school and community activities; and

WHEREAS, Robert Skelly was a member of the varsity soccer, baseball and weight lifting teams, as well as literary, drama and film clubs; he has volunteered his time for the Courthouse Community Center, Books on Hands Program, and the Borador Animal Hospital; and WHEREAS, In addition, this exemplary student was a member of Salem's winning Mock Trial Team; he is also the proud recipient of the Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award and the Student Sage Award for his academic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Robert Skelly plans to attend SUNY Adirondack and transfer to

Cornell University where he will study veterinary science; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Robert Skelly 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 Robert Skelly has displayed throughout his life; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Robert Skelly upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Salem Rotary Club; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Robert Skelly.