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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Donna Rosenblum upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2016 Woman of the Year Award by the Merrick Chamber of Commerce

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, Donna Rosenblum 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 Donna Rosenblum upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2016 Woman of the Year Award by the Merrick Chamber of Commerce, celebrated at its 81st Annual Installation Dinner held on Thursday, January 28, 2016, at the Chateau Briand in Carle Place, New York; and

WHEREAS, Donna Rosenblum has been a dedicated New York Public Schools educator for more than 20 years, developing critical thinking and information literacy skills in her students as well as fostering student achievement; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism has been just as important to Donna Rosenblum; she has volunteered at various school events and served on many committees, including Shared Decision Making, Staff Development and Middle States; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Donna Rosenblum has been involved in many notable volunteer activities including the Adopt-A-Survivor program and The Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center of Nassau County as well as Reason2Smile; and

WHEREAS, Donna Rosenblum is currently focused on building a library and community center at the Jambo Jipya School in Kenya; this extraor-

dinary endeavor is being personally financed by this generous woman who donates her entire salary from her teaching position at Queens College to this venture; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Donna Rosenblum received the Louis E. Yavner Award for education about the Holocaust and other Violations of Human Rights from the New York State Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Donna Rosenblum has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless educational, civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; 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 Donna Rosenblum upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2016 Woman of the Year Award by the Merrick Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Donna Rosenblum.