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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring John Gray upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Champion of Youth Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Troy

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, John Gray 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 John Gray upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Champion of Youth Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Troy, at its First Annual Great Futures Gala held on Thursday, September 24, 2015; and WHEREAS, John Gray received this auspicious award for going above and beyond in service and commitment to youth at the Troy Boys & Girls Club; and

WHEREAS, John Gray grew up in the Capital District and graduated from LaSalle Institute; furthering his education, he studied at Hudson Valley Community College before earning a bachelor's degree from State University of New York at Oswego; and

WHEREAS, Today, John Gray is a well-known news anchor within the Capital District who has reported on many big stories such as the terrorist attacks on September 11th, the Pope's visit to America and the Presidential campaigns, as well as local area news; and

WHEREAS, John Gray believes in the mission of the Troy Boys & Girls Club and has volunteered his time and energies serving as the Host of the Club's Pizzapalooza event; over the years, he has truly been a strong advocate for the Club and the community as a whole; and WHEREAS, Recognized for his philanthropic achievements as well as his professional successes, John Gray has been the recipient of an Emmy Award, the 40 Under 40 Award by the Business Reviews, and Hudson Valley Community College's Most Distinguished Alumni Award; he has also been named the Columnist of the Year by both the Associated Press and New York News Publishers Association; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, John Gray 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 John Gray has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor John Gray upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Champion of Youth Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Troy; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to John Gray.