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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Marie Gavazzi upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Sammy Spirit Award by the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District on December 2, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge those exemplary individuals whose purposeful lives and distinguished careers have been committed to bettering the quality of life in this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Marie Gavazzi upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Sammy Spirit Award by the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District, celebrated at its Annual Dinner on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at Franklin Plaza in Troy, New York; and

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, Marie Gavazzi has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and, consequently, has been designated for this special honor; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District (BID) is to cultivate and advocate for the economic growth of downtown Troy by creating an inviting, dynamic, and sustainable community that celebrates the City's history while building towards its future; the BID is dedicated to improving the quality of life within the district to further enhance and make the community a vibrant, attractive destination for visitors, businesses, residents, property owners, the daily workforce, and students; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District

presents the Sammy Spirit Award to an individual who volunteers his or her time to activities, causes and positive programming in downtown Troy; and

WHEREAS, Marie Gavazzi was honored with this auspicious award for her tireless dedication and commitment to a variety of community groups and organizations such as Troy Neighborhoods Action Council (T-NAC), the Historic 5th and Grand Street Neighborhood Association, Troy In Bloom, the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District as well as volunteering as an organizer for Troy's recent "Meet The Candidates Event"; and WHEREAS, As a Troy, New York, resident, Marie Gavazzi believes her engagement in so many important community organizations has made her more aware of the bigger picture in Troy and the Capital District; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her service, a period of constructive involvement, Marie Gavazzi has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Marie Gavazzi upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Sammy Spirit Award by the Downtown Troy Business Improvement District on December 2, 2015; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marie Gavazzi.