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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Cynthia Lacki upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 10, 2016

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Cynthia Lacki upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging at its Annual Senior Citizens Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at the Hart Theatre Lounge in The Egg, Albany, New York; and WHEREAS, Each May, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens during National Older Americans Month; and WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York: and WHEREAS, This esteemed woman 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, Born and raised in Clinton County, Cynthia Lacki earned her Bachelor's degree in Education from SUNY Plattsburgh; she began her illustrious career as a teacher at Assumption of Mary in Redford, New

York, before becoming the school's Principal; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia Lacki served as the intake coordinator for the sheltered workshop program at ARC from 1981 to 1987; she worked with both individuals coming out of institutions, and with families whose disabled children were living at home; and

WHEREAS, In 1987, after giving birth to her son, Cynthia Lacki became the office manager for her husband's medical practice in Plattsburgh, where she served for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Active within her community, Cynthia Lacki is the current Clinton County representative for NYSARC; she has also served on the Bailey-Oak School Board, Mental Health Association Board, SPCA, Boy Scouts of America, and Partners in Cross-Cultural Learning at SUNY Plattsburgh; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Cynthia Lacki has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Richard, and their son, Elliot, both of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Cynthia Lacki has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia Lacki, a very active and industrious woman, has inspired and enriched the lives of those she serves through her volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Cynthia Lacki upon the occasion of her designation for special

recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 10, 2016; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Cynthia Lacki.