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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Judith R. Saidel upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Distinguished Service to the College Award by Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Judith R.

Saidel upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Distinguished Service to the College Award by the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy, to be celebrated at its Annual Alumni Dinner & Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 13, 2016, at the New York State Museum, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Judith R. Saidel earned her master's degree in 1978, and her Ph.D. in 1990, from the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy at the University of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Judith R. Seidel is a Professor Emerita of Public Administration and Policy at the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy; her research interests have included interdependence and contract management issues between public agencies and nonprofit organization, nonprofit governance, and gender and political participation; and

WHEREAS, From 1991-2009, Judith R. Saidel served as Director of the Center for Women in Government & Civil Society, a research, policy

education, leadership development, technical assistance and training center founded in 1978, as part of the Graduate School of Public Affairs; and

WHEREAS, For a number of years, Judith R. Saidel directed and was the Principal Investigator of the Center's Appointed Policy Makers in State Government project; in addition, she founded and served as Chair of the Nonprofit Executive Roundtable at the Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy; the Roundtable sponsored applied research publications and the Tech Valley Civic Forum, a multi-sector, multi-year regional social change process; and

WHEREAS, From 2000-2002, Judith R. Saidel was the Principal Investigator of Governance Futures New Perspectives on Nonprofit Governance, . Discovery Phase, a project under the leadership of BoardSource, based in Washington, D.C., in collaboration with the Hauser Center for Nonprofit Organizations at Harvard University; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Judith R. Saidel upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Distinguished Service to the College Award by Rockefeller College of Public Affairs & Policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Judith R. Saidel.