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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Anna Guerriero Hartog upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Mount Mercy Academy on June 10, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are enhanced by the concerned and dedicated efforts of organizations and individuals that generously contribute to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Anna Guerriero Hartog upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Mount Mercy Academy, to be celebrated at its 8th Annual 5K Run on Friday, June 10, 2016, at Cazenovia Park in Buffalo, New York; and

WHEREAS, A true leader in the Buffalo community, Mount Mercy Academy has been educating young women for over 110 years; its alumnae has grown to over 10,000 members and 70 percent still live and work in Western New York; and

WHEREAS, Each year, this esteemed organization is privileged to recognize outstanding members of the community who have made significant contributions to the Buffalo community; this year's distinguished honoree is Anna Guerriero Hartog, a graduate of Mount Mercy Academy's Class of 2000; and

WHEREAS, After graduation, Anna Guerriero Hartog attended Mercyhurst University, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications and Public Relations, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry; and WHEREAS, Following college graduation, Anna Guerriero Hartog took a position at an energy company where she worked in the energy market and

had the opportunity to travel the world, living in New York City for two years, and California for one; Buffalo called to her in 2008, and she moved back; two years later, she received a Masters degree in Business Administration from Medialle College in Buffalo, New York; and WHEREAS, In September of 2011, Anna Guerriero Hartog purchased Park Edge Sweet Shoppe with her sister, Maggie Guerriero Mulvaney, taking over operations of an historic South Buffalo business which had been in operation since 1948; and

WHEREAS, With her business skills, Anna Guerriero Hartog helped the shop increase its financial capabilities, ultimately resulting in the expansion of the business in 2013 after the sisters purchased a local cookie shop, Cookie Expressions, and moved it into the Park Edge location; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her tireless devotion to her business, and active in the community since college when she participated in the local Habitat for Humanity, Anna Guerriero Hartog presently works with the Valley Community Association to adopt a local family in need, volunteers with the Haven House to collect donations for families in need, and coordinates with Catholic Charities to give internships to those in need; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations and individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Anna Guerriero Hartog upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Mount Mercy Academy on June 10, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anna Guerriero Hartog.