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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Karen L. McGuckin upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to Orange-Ulster BOCES

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge those individuals whose professional lives and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Karen L. McGuckin upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to Orange-Ulster BOCES; and

WHEREAS, A 30-year resident of Orange County, Karen L. McGuckin came to Orange-Ulster BOCES in 2004, following a 10-year career in administration in healthcare beginning as Assistant to Chief of Oncology, and culminating as the Administrative Assistant to the CEO of Bon Secours Charity Health System in Suffern, New York; and

WHEREAS, During this time, Karen L. McGuckin served for 12 years as Executive Assistant to the District Superintendent and Clerk of the Board for Orange-Ulster BOCES; and

WHEREAS, In 2009, Karen L. McGuckin hosted a District Superintendents Office Professionals (DSOP) event in which individuals from 37 BOCES across the State of New York congregated for a two-day tour of the Orange-Ulster campus and surrounding Hudson Valley attractions; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, during her illustrious tenure with Orange-Ulster BOCES, Karen L. McGuckin served as support staff for administration and

the board during the transformation of the Arden Hill Hospital into the successful Orange-Ulster BOCES Regional Education Center at Arden Hill; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and accolades, Karen L. McGuckin earned a Certificate of Recognition from the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA) for District Clerks in 2012, and received a Certificate of Appreciation for Outstanding Service in 2013, from the Orange County School Board Association; and WHEREAS, In addition, she was presented with the Mid-Hudson School Study Council Award for Excellence in Support Staff Services in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, leadership, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Karen L. McGuckin over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, In her official acts, Karen L. McGuckin was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems, earning her the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; she will officially retire in July of 2016; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for Karen L. McGuckin, and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Karen L. McGuckin upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to Orange-Ulster BOCES; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Karen L. McGuckin.