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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc. upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Organization of the Year Award by In Our Own Voices, Inc. on July 17, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves 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 honor The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc. upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Organization of the Year Award by In Our Own Voices, Inc., to be celebrated at its Annual Jazz in July Event on Sunday, July 17, 2016, at the State Room, Albany, New York; and WHEREAS, In Our Own Voices is an autonomous organization dedicated to addressing the many needs and ensuring the physical, mental, spiritual, political, cultural, and economic survival and growth of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender People of Color (LGBT POC) community in the Capital Region of Upstate New York; and

WHEREAS, The Addictions Care Center of Albany (ACCA) empowers individuals, families and communities to advance beyond addiction and overcome barriers to healing through an array of quality, compassionate care and prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, ACCA respects each individual's unique journey through recovery and believes the disease of addiction is both preventable and treatable; and

WHEREAS, For numerous years, ACCA has strived to heal the hearts of everyone touched by addiction through core values such as respect,

compassion, diversity, integrity and excellence; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous leadership of Keith W. Stack, the success of the ACCA is in direct correlation to the efforts of its staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, Our society is greatly benefited by the purposeful efforts of individuals who unite for the cause of improving the quality of life for others, and who proactively work toward the goal of dignity for all; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc. upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Organization of the Year Award by In Our Own Voices, Inc., and to wish this exemplary organization continued success in its vital work on behalf of the community it serves; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Keith W. Stack.