

2017-J1967

Senate Resolution No. 1967

BY: Senator LARKIN

honoring Peggy Bennett upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 9, 2017

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 Peggy Bennett upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging at its Annual Older New Yorkers Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, 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, Born in Brooklyn, New York, Peggy Bennett was the second oldest of 16 children; in 1946, she moved to Newburgh, New York and began her career as a legal secretary; in this capacity, she served as President of her local chapter of the National Association of Legal Secretaries; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Peggy Bennett holds a position in the Records Department of the Town of Newburgh Police; 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, Dedicated to her community, Peggy Bennett is an active volunteer for numerous organizations including the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Orange County Senior Advisory Council, Disaster Preparedness and TNT Tappers Entertainment; in addition, she delivers meals to the homebound and assists them with their tax return preparation; and

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

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

WHEREAS, Peggy Bennett, 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 Peggy Bennett upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 9, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Peggy Bennett.