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Senate Resolution No. 1968

BY: Senator LARKIN

HONORING Anita Babcock 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 Anita Babcock 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, A lifelong resident of Tomkins Cove, Anita Babcock was employed by the school district for many years, working her way up the ladder until she retired as the Supervisor of Food Services; 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, Anita Babcock served as a Girl Scout Leader for 20 years, President of Stony Point Seniors Club II for two terms, a volunteer with the Ambulance Corps and a teacher at Bible School for numerous years; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Anita Babcock organizes, collects, and delivers gifts for the veterans at Castle Point VA Hospital, and organizes fundraisers for Homes for Heroes; in addition, she started Buzy Bees at the Stony Point Seniors Club II, where she and her group knits lap robes and walker caddies for veterans and people in the hospital; and

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

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her three children and three grandchildren, who have all shown her love and support and rejoice in her many achievements; and

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

WHEREAS, Anita Babcock, 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 Anita Babcock 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 Anita Babcock.