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Senate Resolution No. 2081

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING Mary Canty upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2017 Women in Technology Award by InfoTech WNY

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community and their profession; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mary Canty upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2017 Women in Technology Award by InfoTech WNY, celebrated at its Buffalo Emerging Technology Awards Showcase (BETAS) in Buffalo, New York; and

WHEREAS, Formed in 1998, InfoTech WNY is a rapidly growing consortium of multi-sized software, hardware, telecommunications companies; government and economic agencies; and educational institutions addressing various industry-specific issues such as workforce ability, industry image, technology transfer, networking, access to financing, and attracting new business to the region; and

WHEREAS, Since InfoTech WNY's inception, workforce development has been a top priority with projects including the formation of an

Education and Workforce subcommittee, internship and human resources forums, an online job databank, and working with local colleges, universities and school districts to implement IT curriculums; and

WHEREAS, Serving on Buffalo's Information Technology Council, the members of InfoTech WNY create smart building certifications and partner with the educational community to identify job opportunities, ensuring future generations stay in the area; and

WHEREAS, The BETAS recognizes and celebrates WNY's organizations and individuals which set the standard for technological innovation and implementation, workplace culture and industry activism; and

WHEREAS, Mary Canty is the recipient of this auspicious award for her devotion to her profession and sincere dedication and substantial role in informational technology; she has continuously displayed an unbridled enthusiasm in all her professional and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Mary Canty upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2017 Women in Technology Award by InfoTech WNY; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary Canty.