Senate Resolution No. 3342

**BY: Senator BONACIC** 

COMMENDING Lydia Reidy upon the occasion of her retirement after 43 years of distinguished service to the Cornell Cooperative Extension system

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Lydia Reidy upon the occasion of her retirement after 43 years of distinguished service to the Cornell Cooperative Extension system; at the end of December of 2017, she will officially retire from her title of Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, For more than four decades, Lydia Reidy rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Cornell Cooperative Extension system; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as Executive Director, Lydia Reidy served with loyalty, honor and distinction; in this esteemed role, she accomplished numerous goals including building the Ulster County Cornell Cooperative Extension from a staff of 20 individuals and an annual budget of \$575,000 in 1989, to an association with 35 staff members and an operating budget of more than \$4 million today; and

WHEREAS, In her official acts, Lydia Reidy was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure with the Cornell Cooperative Extension system, Lydia Reidy earned the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Lydia Reidy upon the occasion of her retirement after 43 years of distinguished service to the Cornell Cooperative Extension system; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lydia Reidy.