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Senate Resolution No. 4233

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING Jodi Robinson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Grand Island

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; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jodi Robinson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, New York State is home to countless women, strong and colorful threads vital to the fabric of our rich heritage, who have and continue to contribute to the advancement of our culture through their traditional and non-traditional roles in society; and

WHEREAS, The Zonta Club, an international organization of professional women who work to advance the status of women through service and advocacy, sets aside March 8th of each year as Yellow Rose Day, to honor the accomplishments of women worldwide; the Zonta Club of

Grand Island takes this opportunity to honor women whose courage, determination and dedication have made a difference in the lives of others within the community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors, Jodi Robinson has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A 1976 graduate of Grand Island High School, Jodi Robinson received an associate's degree in business administration from SUNY Canton; she also attended Eastern Michigan University for two years, majoring in interior design; and

WHEREAS, Jodi Robinson's illustrious business career began at age 11, working for her father at the old Clown House on Grand Island Boulevard and then at Helf's in Tonawanda; restaurants and the hospitality business were in her blood, working for 25 years in Western New York and the Florida Keys; and

WHEREAS, Hired by Isledegrade.com in 2001, Jodi Robinson began serving as school liaison, reporting on school activities, town news, organization publicity and advertising; in 2013, she was promoted to Editor, the esteemed position she continues to hold today; and

WHEREAS, Active within her beloved community, Jodi Robinson holds the position of Town Historian, and is a member of the Grand Island Alumni Association, Relay For Life, and the Grand Island Historical Society; additionally, she is a member of the GIHS Class of 76 Reunion and Grand Island sesquicentennial committees; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Brad, and her

two children, Liam and Zoe, 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 Jodi Robinson has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Jodi Robinson, that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jodi Robinson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Grand Island; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jodi Robinson.