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Senate Resolution No. 4807

BY: Senator SEWARD

HONORING Sarah Goodrich upon the occasion of her retirement after six years of dedicated service as executive director of Schoharie Area Long Term development

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 honor Sarah Goodrich upon the occasion of her retirement after six years of dedicated service as executive director of Schoharie Area Long Term development; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Goodrich, the guiding hand for Schoharie Area Long Term (SALT) development, is officially stepping down as executive director on April 20, 2018, the esteemed position she has held since taking the job in 2012 to help the Schoharie Valley recover from Hurricane Irene; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Sarah Goodrich, what began as a recovery effort of volunteers working from a card table in devastated downtown Schoharie, grew into a vital organization with

thousands of volunteers from across the country working out of the Heritage House; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Goodrich was truly instrumental in the successful clean-up and renovations throughout the Schoharie Valley, as well as in getting people back into their homes; and

WHEREAS, For the past six years, Sarah Goodrich rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to Schoharie Area Long Term development, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as executive director, Sarah Goodrich served with loyalty, honor and distinction, and was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems in her official acts; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout has been her husband, Dave, who has shown her love and support and rejoices in her many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, leadership, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Sarah Goodrich over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; 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

Sarah Goodrich, 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 Sarah Goodrich upon the occasion of her retirement after six years of dedicated service as executive director of Schoharie Area Long Term development; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sarah Goodrich.