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Senate Resolution No. 5123

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Diane Cameron upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Paul Ehmann Presidential Award by The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc. on May 9, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Diane Cameron upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Paul Ehmann Presidential Award by The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc. to be celebrated at its 6th Annual Healing Hearts Breakfast on Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at Normanside Country Club in Delmar, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since 1967, The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc. (ACCA) has been strengthening the lives and improving the futures of thousands of individuals in its community; through intensive, proactive programs customized to individual needs, ACCA touches the lives of more than 10,000 people throughout the Capital Region each year; and

WHEREAS, Through its core values of respect, compassion, diversity, integrity and excellence, ACCA empowers individuals, families and communities to advance beyond addiction and overcome barriers to healing through an array of quality, compassionate care and prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, Diane Cameron is receiving this prestigious award for her exceptional generosity, compassion and civic vision, as well as her continued support of the noble mission of the Addictions Care Center of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Diane Cameron is a well-known and respected columnist, author, speaker and coach; her columns and essays challenge readers to think about events, culture, community, and most importantly, themselves, from a new perspective; and

WHEREAS, A consummate professional, Diane Cameron gives numerous presentations at various conferences, faith communities, and at corporate and community events; she frequently provides readings and talks based on her works, including her latest book entitled Never Leave Your Dead-War, Trauma and Redemption; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Diane Cameron serves as a writing teacher in schools, healthcare programs, businesses and churches; she hosts writing workshops for people who want to tell their stories, write their poems or use writing as a therapeutic tool; she also helps employees use language well and communicate more effectively; and

WHEREAS, As an Arbinger Trained Coach, Diane Cameron offers life coaching and creativity coaching, working with women and men who want to transform their relationship to work or who want to find their right work, or begin creative work to achieve their dreams; she delivers

meaningful workshops for schools, faith communities, businesses and non-profit organizations and provides one-on-one mentoring or coaching as well; and

WHEREAS, Diane Cameron is truly a compelling storyteller who approaches all aspects of life with courage, compassion and humor; 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 Diane Cameron upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Paul Ehmann Presidential Award by The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Diane Cameron.