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Senate Resolution No. 5402

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Rayn Boncie upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Excellence in Business Development Award by the Women's Business Council of the Capital Region Chamber

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Rayn Boncie upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Excellence in Business Development Award by the Women's Business Council of the Capital Region Chamber to be celebrated at its 27th Annual Women of Excellence Luncheon on Thursday, May 31, 2018, at the Albany Marriott Hotel, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Women's Business Council (WBC) diligently works to promote the full participation and leadership of women at all levels in the workplace, the community and government; it also develops programs which provide opportunities for women to learn and network as well as share their expertise with each other and to address the unique issues of women in business; and

WHEREAS, The Women of Excellence Award acknowledges women in six categories: Distinguished Career, Emerging Professional, Excellence in Business, Excellence in Business Development, Excellence in Management, and Excellence in the Professions; and

WHEREAS, Rayn Boncie has exhibited the true spirit of this auspicious award through her impressive professional success and her tireless dedication to both her community and her family; this remarkable woman is helping to shape the future of the residents of the Capital Region and throughout the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Inspired by a difficult time in her life, Rayn Boncie vowed to assist foster children; in 2008, she did just that when she founded Things of My Very Own, Inc., a private non-profit organization which provides for families in need; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous leadership of Rayn Boncie, by its second year, Things of My Very Own had helped more than 5,800 children in 11 counties by providing emergency supplies such as clothing, bedding, toiletries, and food; as well as educational and life skills programs; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her position of CEO of her organization, Rayn Boncie is a single mother for four wonderful children, ages 19, 13, 11 and seven; 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 Rayn Boncie upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Excellence in Business Development Award by the Women's Business Council of the Capital Region Chamber; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rayn Boncie.