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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Pauline Crombe upon the occasion of being named 2012 Citizen of the Year by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Pauline Crombe has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Pauline Crombe upon the occasion of being named 2012 Citizen of the Year by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, September 20, 2012, at the Brookwoods Golf Club, Ontario, New York; and

WHEREAS, Outstanding Citizen Award is given to an individual who has made specific, significant contributions to the Ontario community and who is dedicated to family, community and business and who participates in Ontario's community activities and/or organizations and gives of themselves beyond their daily "job" duties; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known as Polly, Pauline Crombe graduated from Johnson Teachers College in Vermont where she earned her Bachelor of Education degree in 1945; and

WHEREAS, Pauline Crombe began her career as a 3rd grade teacher in Morrisville, Vermont, in 1951; and

WHEREAS, From 1957-1979, Pauline Crombe taught 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades as well as Remedial Reading in the Webster School District; and WHEREAS, Pauline Crombe has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A valued and involved member of her community, Pauline Crombe has significantly contributed to the preservation of the cultural heritage of the Town of Ontario; this has been demonstrated by her many hours of volunteer work as administrative support, and her many hours of labor she contributed in maintaining Heritage Square Museum; and WHEREAS, Pauline Crombe has offered her support to the growth of Heritage Square Museum by: serving as Secretary of the Town of Ontario Historical and Landmark Preservation Society for many years; physically mowing the lawn and painting the buildings at the site; organizing and working fundraising events such as "Polly's Pie Sales" which have benefited the Historical Society; and making personal financial contributions which supported the addition of several buildings to Heritage Square Museum; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Pauline Crombe has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout her accomplished life have been her supportive family, including her beloved late husband, William A. Crombe, and her stepchildren, Diane (Tim) McCallum, and the late Barry Crombe; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Pauline Crombe has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Pauline Crombe upon the occasion of being named 2012 Citizen of the Year by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Pauline Crombe.