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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Roseanne Smith upon the occasion of her retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to the Town of Newburgh

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Roseanne Smith upon the occasion of her retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to the Town of Newburgh; and

WHEREAS, Roseanne Smith, who was a beautician, started as a temp at Town Hall 37 years ago; she attended Orange County Community College at night and took as many civil service tests as she could; and WHEREAS, Displaying extraordinary intellect, extreme competence and

exemplary leadership skills, Roseanne Smith was invited to institute a

personnel office for the town; and

WHEREAS, A Newburgh Free Academy graduate, Roseanne Smith is responsible for successfully implementing the first personnel department in the growing town; and

WHEREAS, As the Personnel Director, Roseanne Smith has at times overseen as many as 240 employees; she has created an environment where employees can stop by in person or call and obtain information about their benefits and more; additionally, she has been responsible for assisting the town board with grievances and working closely with the town labor attorney; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her esteemed career, Roseanne Smith served the Town of Newburgh with intelligence and caring dedication, continuously

striving to effectively fulfill the duties of her position; and WHEREAS, Sincerely loved and greatly respected by all those with whom she worked, Roseanne Smith will be remembered for her honesty, integrity, keen sense of duty and ability to show a unique grasp of human problems in her official acts; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been husband, John Smith, and her children, as well as her grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Roseanne Smith upon the occasion of her retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to the Town of Newburgh, and to wish her continued success in all of her future endeavors; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Roseanne Smith.