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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dinah Howland upon the occasion of receiving the Gold Spirit Award from the Rye YMCA on May 27, 2009

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character who have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State with their strong contributions to the community and model citizenship; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dinah Howland upon the occasion of receiving the Gold Spirit Award from the Rye YMCA, at its Annual Dinner on May 27, 2009; and 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, Dinah Howland has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for this special honor, the highest award for volunteer service to the Rye YMCA, which is chosen by a committee of past recipients; and

WHEREAS, A Board Member of the Rye YMCA from 2001 to 2009, as well as a member of its Executive Committee, Dinah Howland chaired the 2004-2009 Strategic Plan and served on the Strategic Plan Committee for 2009-2013; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dinah Howland is the past Chair of the Program Committee and is currently the Chair of the Activate America Coalition and a member of the Board Development Committee; and WHEREAS, Dinah Howland also gives back to the community she loves so much by serving as President of 15th Twig -- Twig Antiques Shop, a member of the board of the Carver Center and a Troop leader for the local Girl Scouts; and

WHEREAS, An International Banking Analyst for Wells Fargo Bank, Dinah Howland served as a consultant for Bain & Co. when it started its German office in Munich and a consultant for McKinsey & Co., specializing in health care/pharmaceuticals; and

WHEREAS, Dinah Howland received a Bachelor of Arts degree in German and a Master of Science degree in Mathematics from the University of New Mexico, a Master of Arts degree in German Literature from Stanford University and a Master's degree in Business Administration from Harvard Business School; 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; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for Dinah Howland and to wish her continued success in all of her future endeavors; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dinah Howland upon the occasion of receiving the Gold Spirit Award from the Rye YMCA on May 27, 2009; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dinah Howland.