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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Richard and Delores Brown upon the occasion of being named the 2010 Leader of Leaders by the Fulton County YMCA

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging its esteemed residents who have distinguished themselves in their community; and

WHEREAS, Richard (Dick) and Delores (Dee) Brown will be honored by the Fulton County YMCA as its 2010 Leader of Leaders during a dinner dance to be held on March 5, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Dick is a former President of the YMCA Board of Trustees and continues to serve on the Board; and

WHEREAS, He has served on the Board of Directors for Wells Nursing Home and as Chairman of the Capital Campaign for the Johnstown Library addition; and

WHEREAS, Dick, along with his father and brother, has owned and operated what is now Brown's Ford since 1955; in 1997, Dick and his two sons purchased the Ford/Mercury franchise in Amsterdam; and WHEREAS, Dee enjoyed a successful career teaching nursing at B.O.C.E.S. and served as coordinator of the nursing program for eight years; and

WHEREAS, She contributed her time as coordinator of the Johnstown Council of Churches Food Pantry for 10 years, and as a member of the Wells House auxiliary; and

WHEREAS, Dee currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the Johnstown Hospital Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Dick and Dee are both active in St. John's Episcopal Church and have contributed immensely to the Johnstown Public Library; and WHEREAS, The Brown family has made numerous valuable contributions to the YMCA, many of which were privately made with little publicity; and WHEREAS, One notable recent contribution from the family provided funding for the Teen Center in the new YMCA, which provides a safe place to play and socialize for hundreds of teens every year; and WHEREAS, Dick and Dee are the proud parents of two sons and one daughter; they have also been blessed with nine grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, They have exhibited the true spirit of this prestigious award through their tireless dedication to the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Richard and Delores Brown upon the occasion of being named the 2010 Leader of Leaders by the Fulton County YMCA; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Richard and Delores Brown.