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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Marist College upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Fundamental Principle Award from the American Red Cross of Dutchess County on March 18, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to recognize the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Marist College upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Fundamental Principle Award from the American Red Cross of Dutchess County; and

WHEREAS, The American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization, led by volunteers, that provides relief to victims of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the American Red Cross of Dutchess County honors those organizations and individuals who embody the fundamental spirit and principles of the Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, Marist College will be recognized by the American Red Cross of Dutchess County at its 100th Anniversary Red Tie Event to be held on Thursday, March 18, 2010, at The Grandview, Poughkeepsie, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its distinguished history, Marist College has devoted itself to the community and through its efforts it has greatly improved the quality of life for countless individuals; and

WHEREAS, For many years, Marist College has had a consistent intern exchange with the American Red Cross of Dutchess County, along with numerous Blood Drives sponsored by on-campus clubs; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Marist College faculty members have extended

their academic outreach into the community through innovative programs offered by the Center for Corporate and Professional Education; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, the largest club at Marist College, Campus Ministry, provides several community service projects; City Plunge offers an opportunity for students to live and work as a community in cooperation with an inner-city organization; Hunger Awareness Month helps to fight hunger locally and internationally; the Giving Tree Project donates holiday gifts to 25 local families in need; Global Outreach trips help those in need in countries throughout the world; and Weekly Service where students serve each week in local schools, social agencies and through other facets of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to recognize Marist College, for its unwavering commitment to the citizens of the region, as it provides an uncompromising standard of excellence in the delivery of superlative community service; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations 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 commend Marist College upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Fundamental Principle Award from the American Red Cross of Dutchess County on March 18, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marist College.