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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Denise Doring VanBuren upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition for her extensive community service and passion for American history

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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends and family; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Denise Doring VanBuren upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition for her extensive community service and passion for American history; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at the 14th Annual Historical Dinner of the Mount Gulian Historic Site, to be held on Saturday, June 12, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Corporate Secretary and Vice President of Corporate Communications for the CH Energy Group, Inc. and Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. since 1993, Denise Doring VanBuren is responsible for the accuracy and transparency of corporate documents and record-keeping, as well as timely, relevant and effective communications with all stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, Denise Doring VanBuren previously worked as Ward One City Councilwoman in the Beacon City Council, a News Director and Anchor for NewsCenter 6 in Wappingers Falls, New York, and News Anchor and Reporter for WGNV AM & FM in Newburgh; and

WHEREAS, Despite her busy professional life, Denise Doring VanBuren has compiled an impressive record of civic and charitable service; she is a member of the Board of Governors of the United Way of Dutchess County; a member of the Board of Directors of the Samuel F.B. Morse Locust Grove Historic Site; the Southern Dutchess Exchange Club; the Southern Dutchess Chamber of Commerce; the Hudson River Valley Insti-

tute; and the Stony Kill Foundation, Inc.; National Magazine Chairman of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Editor-in-Chief of the AMERICAN SPIRIT DAR Magazine; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, Denise Doring VanBuren served as the Dutchess County United Way 2005 Campaign Chair; National Chair of Public Relations for the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution from 1999 until 2004; Chair of the Board of the Craig House Center; a Regent of the Melzingah Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution from 1998 until 2001; Chair of the City of Beacon's 85th Anniversary Celebration; Chair of the Orange County United Way Communications Committee; Past President of the Beacon Historical Society; Vice President of the Dutchess County Genealogical Society; and a Board Member of Putnam Hospital Inc., St. Joachim/St. John School, the Howland Circulating Library and the Beacon Corps of the Salvation Army; and WHEREAS, Denise Doring VanBuren has been the recipient of a multitude of awards, honors and certificates of recognition, acknowledging her efforts of in-depth magnitude, including the 2005 Dutchess Award from the Dutchess County Historical Society, the 1999 City of Beacon Volunteer of the Year, a YWCA Salute to Women and Industry Honoree in 1990 and 1997, and the New York State Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Regent in 1999-2000; and WHEREAS, The co-author of HISTORIC BEACON, BEACON REVISITED and DOORWAYS TO HISTORY: THE STORIES BEHIND THE NEW YORK DAR CHAPTER HOUSES AND

THE WOMEN WHO SAVED THEM, Denise Doring VanBuren received a Master's degree in Business Administration from Mount Saint Mary College in 1997, and a Bachelor of Arts degree, Magna Cum Laude in Journalism/Mass Communication from Saint Bonaventure University in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Denise Doring VanBuren has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor, and has earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Denise Doring VanBuren 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 Denise Doring VanBuren upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition for her extensive community service and passion for American history; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Denise Doring VanBuren.