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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Rita McPeck upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Linda Saland Community Leadership Award by the Alzheimer's Association on April 9, 2011

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those individuals who would 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 honor Rita McPeck upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Linda Saland Community Leadership Award by the Hudson Valley, Rockland, Westchester, New York Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association to be celebrated at its 14th Annual A Night of Wine & Roses Gala on Saturday, April 9, 2011, at The Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel, Poughkeepsie, New York; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary leader and Alzheimer's champion, Rita McPeck has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in her unwavering service to her community; and WHEREAS, Rita McPeck began her career at KeyBank in November of 1987 and currently holds the position of Senior Business Service Officer in their Business Banking Team; in addition, for three years she simultaneously held the position of Community Relations Manager reporting directly to the District President; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure at KeyBank Rita McPeck has been recognized with the esteemed Signature Circle Award in 2002, 2006, 2009, and again in 2010; she has served on the Diversity Council since its inception in 1994, and was instrumental in helping KeyBank achieve the POUGHKEEPSIE

JOURNAL's 2005 Diversity in the Workplace Award; and

WHEREAS, Rita McPeck has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Extremely active in the Dutchess County community, Rita McPeck has served on the Boards of such prestigious organizations as the YWCA of Dutchess County, American Cancer Society of Dutchess County, Abilities First and the Alzheimer's Association; and

WHEREAS, Currently Rita McPeck serves as a Board Member for the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce, Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation, New Horizon Resources Inc. and the New Horizon Foundation; furthermore, she has been an employee campaign volunteer for the United Way for the past nine years as well as a 2002 Loan Executive; and

WHEREAS, A proud recipient of the Community Spirit Award from the Poughkeepsie Chamber of Commerce in 2004, and the Volunteer of the Year from the Alzheimer's Association in 2002, Rita McPeck was recognized in 2007 as an Athena Award Honoree through the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation; most recently, she received New Horizon Foundation's Leadership 2010 Award; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Rita McPeck has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; 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 Rita McPeck upon the occasion of receiving the Linda Saland Community Leadership Award from the Alzheimer's Association on April 9, 2011; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rita McPeck.