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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Karen O'Hara upon the occasion of capturing the title of the 2011 Mrs. New York America Pageant

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the talent, skill, dedication and commitment of our citizens who distinguish themselves through excellence in national pageant competitions; and WHEREAS, It is also the custom of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those who, by achieving outstanding success in national pageant competitions, have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Karen O'Hara upon the occasion of capturing the title at the 2011 Mrs. New York America Pageant; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 44, Karen O'Hara is the 35th woman to wear the crown for Mrs. New York America; and

WHEREAS, Having entered the Mrs. New York America Pageant four consecutive years, Karen O'Hara was named 1st runner-up for all three previous years; poised and determined, believing wholeheartedly that dreams do come true, in 2011 she captured the esteemed title of Mrs. New York America; and

WHEREAS, A businesswoman who owns South Towns Rte. 219 Antiques in Springville, New York, Karen O'Hara is also a wife of 16 years and the mother of two remarkable children, Ryan and Shannon, who have all served as her inspiration; and

WHEREAS, Karen O'Hara's goal is to be a spokesperson in the fight to stop human trafficking and is a volunteer for the Polaris Project, dedicated to creating a world without slavery; and

WHEREAS, Karen O'Hara hopes to inspire others to go after their dreams and to never give up; she vows to do her best to represent her community as well as the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to celebrate the accomplishments of remarkable young people in this great Empire State who participate in national pageant competitions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Karen O'Hara upon the occasion of capturing the title of 2011 Mrs. New York America Pageant; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Karen O'Hara.