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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Mary Ellen Walsh upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the New York State Division of Parole

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge those individuals whose professional lives and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Mary Ellen Walsh upon the occasion of her retirement from the New York State Division of Parole, to be observed at a retirement celebration on Friday, October 21, 2011, at Lynn's Uptown Tavern, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, For many years, Mary Ellen Walsh rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the New York State Division of Parole; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ellen Walsh began her career right out of High School as a stenographer with the Department of Education from 1968-1970; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ellen Walsh left her position to raise her children until 1987, when she returned to State service as a Dictating Machine Transcriber with the Division of Parole at Central Office in the ALERTS Bureau; and

WHEREAS, In 1990, Mary Ellen Walsh moved to the Interstate Bureau working as a keyboard specialist; she was later promoted to Secretary 1 and then to Agency Program Aid; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, Mary Ellen Walsh began working for the Albany Office, Parole Violations Bureau; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as a Parole Violations Processor, Mary Ellen Walsh served with loyalty, honor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, In her official acts, Mary Ellen Walsh was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure with the New York State Division of Parole, Mary Ellen Walsh earned the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; and

WHEREAS, In September of 2008, Mary Ellen Walsh received an Agency-wide Award from the Chairman, for her Contributions to the Violation

Process, recognizing her professional commitment to ensure all Division standards are met within the violation process and acknowledging her outstanding organizational skills; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her outstanding career, Mary Ellen Walsh 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, Mary Ellen Walsh became the CSEA local grievance secretary in 1993, assisting her fellow union members any way she could; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, this remarkable woman was the Secretary and the President of the Local Letter Carriers Auxiliary for 12 years, and its State President for four years ending in 1997; she also volunteered with the Bethlehem Soccer Club tournaments; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Mary Ellen Walsh serves as a fund raiser for the Juvenile Diabetes Association; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Mary Ellen Walsh upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the New York State Division of Parole,

and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary Ellen Walsh.