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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Patricia Jackson upon the occasion of her retirement after 21 years of distinguished service to Southwest Area Neighborhood Association, Inc.

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Patricia Jackson upon the occasion of her retirement after 21 years of distinguished service to Southwest Area Neighborhood Association, Inc., to be celebrated on Friday, March 16, 2012, in Rochester, New York; and

WHEREAS, For the past 21 years, Patricia Jackson rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to Southwest Area Neighborhood Association, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Jackson is a leader in her field of distinction, community organizing, family services and youth development; she has been recognized by the Rochester Police Department, the City of Rochester and the community at large for her work in public safety; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Jackson was the co-author of the SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER, co-founder of SWAN/ the Bridge along with the late Willie W. Lightfoot; in addition, she was Past President of the Jefferson Avenue Business Association Inc., Past President of Sector 4, and Past co-chair of the Lead Coalition; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Jackson attributes the preparation for her pioneering work to the late Willie W. Lightfoot; she continues to involve herself in community activities which include: Sector 4, Fingerlakes High Blood Pressure Collaborative, the Jefferson Avenue Business Association, Inc., the City's Focused Investment Strategy Committee, the Jefferson Avenue Revitalization Committee as well as the Hamm House Committee; and

WHEREAS, A recipient of many awards and honors, some of Patricia Jackson's noteworthy achievements and honors include: Theta Omicron Chapter OMEGA PSI PHI Fraternity, Inc.'s, Citizen of the year award; the Urban League of Rochester's Outstanding Volunteer Award; the Rochester

Police Rotary Club Award; and the First Divine Hall of Fame Award; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as Executive Director, Patricia Jackson served with loyalty, honor and distinction; and

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

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her children Theresa and Laurence, Jr., as well as her grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure with Southwest Area Neighborhood Association, Inc., Patricia Jackson earned the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Patricia Jackson upon the occasion of her retirement after 21 years of distinguished service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Patricia Jackson.