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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Anita Manley upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2013 Human Rights Award by the Orange County Human Rights Commission on April 11, 2013

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 organizations and individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend Anita Manley upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2013 Human Rights Award by the Orange County Human Rights Commission, to be celebrated at its 18th Annual Awards Dinner at The Fountains, Middletown, New York, on Thursday, April 11, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Orange County Human Rights Commission was established in 1970 to serve the citizens of Orange County; its primary objectives include the fostering of mutual respect and understanding among all racial, religious and ethnic groups in the County; and

WHEREAS, Each year at its Annual Awards Dinner the Orange County Human Rights Commission proudly honors those who support and help to further its objectives of mutual respect and understanding among all citizens of the County; and

WHEREAS, Anita Manley of Newburgh, New York, is a leader and organizer of the Newburgh chapter of PFLAG which promotes the health and well-being of lesbian, gay and transgender persons; and

WHEREAS, Anita Manley celebrates diversity and envisions a society that embraces everyone, including those of diverse sexual orientation and gender identities; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations 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 applaud the Orange County Human Rights Commission for its efforts to foster understanding and pride of community and to commend Anita Manley upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2013 Human Rights Award; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anita Manley.