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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Marlene Brown upon the occasion of being named a Women Who Make America honoree by WCNY

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Marlene Brown has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Marlene Brown upon the occasion of being named a Women Who Make America honoree by WCNY; an awards ceremony was held on Friday, March 1, 2013, at the Women's Rights National Historical Park in Seneca Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Women Who Make America awards represent a local collaboration between WCNY, Central New York's public broadcasting station, and the AOL and PBS national documentary, MAKERS: WOMEN WHO MAKE AMERICA, which features the stories of outstanding women whose extraordinary contributions helped to transform the lives of American women and society; and

WHEREAS, Marlene Brown 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, She has been designated for this special honor in recognition of her significant community impact and exemplary service in the area of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Marlene Brown has run The Children's Museum of Utica as a volunteer for over 10 years, creating exhibits and programs for children, families, and tourists; her laudable efforts have earned the Museum both New York State and federal historic building status, and have also secured grants to renovate the building; and

WHEREAS, A successful long-time teacher, business futurist and world-wide traveler, Marlene Brown's deep and well-known commitment to The Children's Museum of Utica inspires others; in 2012, the museum was chosen co-recipient of proceeds from the Mayor's Ball and the Landmarks

Society of Utica's Restoration Award; and

WHEREAS, Marlene Brown is also an active Rotarian; she chartered one of 14 Rotary eClubs authorized by Rotary International and traveled to India for the ribbon-cutting of a women's computer school, and Haiti to begin a water/sanitation project; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Marlene Brown has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Marlene Brown has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Marlene Brown upon the occasion of being named a Women Who Make America honoree by WCNY; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marlene Brown.