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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Canter for Cancer upon the occasion of reaching its goal of raising \$1,000,000 to benefit the American Cancer Society, and commemorating its 42nd Awards Dinner on November 23, 2014

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Canter for Cancer upon the occasion of reaching its goal of raising \$1,000,000 to benefit the American Cancer Society, and to commemorate its 42nd Awards Dinner which was celebrated on Sunday, November 23, 2014, at the Byrnclyff Resort and Conference Center, Varysburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, Canter for Cancer began in 1973, when Janice Wietz, a former English teacher at Pioneer Central School, approached Richard D. Tilton, Charter President of the Pioneer Jaycees (Jr. Chamber) about coordinating a walk-a-thon to benefit the American Cancer Society; and

WHEREAS, That same year, the inaugural Canter for Cancer Walk was held bringing together students, teachers, and members of the community from all walks of life to unite for the common goal of helping those afflicted with all forms of cancer; and

WHEREAS, For over four decades, this esteemed organization has continued to work tirelessly to raise funds for the American Cancer Society by partnering with local schools, businesses, and civic-minded groups to donate thousands of dollars into research for a cure; and

WHEREAS, With the help of its event's numerous participants, organizers and sponsors, Canter for Cancer has achieved its worthy goal of raising \$1,000,000 to benefit the American Cancer Society, helping the

over one million people in the United States diagnosed with cancer each year; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Chairman Richard D. Tilton, Canter for Cancer has demonstrated the value of schools, businesses and community organizations working together to support an important cause; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when associations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Canter for Cancer upon the occasion of reaching its goal of raising \$1,000,000 to benefit the American Cancer Society, and to commemorate its 42nd Awards Dinner; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Richard D. Tilton, Chairman, Canter for Cancer.