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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Pamela DeMan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2014 SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT honoring Professional Women and Women in Business

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, Pamela DeMan has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Pamela DeMan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2014 SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Horace Greeley High School in Chappaqua, New York, Pamela DeMan received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work and Spanish from Valparaiso University in Indiana, and a master's degree in Social Work from New York University; she is also a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, For the past 25 years, Pamela DeMan has been an employee of Family Focus Adoption Services, a private not-for-profit, full service adoption agency, approved by New York State and the Hague Convention; the agency's mission is finding forever families for older children in foster homes and residential facilities; and

WHEREAS, As Adoption Specialist Supervisor, Pamela DeMan visits and interviews individuals interested in becoming parents through adoption; she helps them to understand the needs of the children, and whether they are prepared as parents; in addition, she reviews home studies written by workers throughout New York State; and

WHEREAS, One of Pamela DeMan's most satisfying aspects of her job is making the future parents aware of the responsibilities of adoption regardless of their marital status, sexual preference, financial position, and health and well-being; and

WHEREAS, Active in her community, Pamela DeMan is President of the Women's Community Club of Cohecton, New York, and Vice President of the Cohecton Preservation Society; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband of 32 years, Bob, and their two sons, Mike and Steve; two stepsons, Bob and Rick; two stepdaughters, Stacy and Jen; four daughters-in-law; and nine grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Pamela DeMan has displayed throughout her life; 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 Pamela DeMan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2014 SULLIVAN COUNTY DEMOCRAT honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Pamela DeMan.