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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Margaret Skinner upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Sister Mary Coons Award by the Food Pantries for the Capital District

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, Margaret Skinner 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 honor Margaret Skinner upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Sister Mary Coons Award by the Food Pantries for the Capital District; this momentous occasion was celebrated at its 2014 Harvest Evening on Thursday, October 23, 2014, at the Century House, Latham, New York; and

WHEREAS, Named in honor of Sister Mary Coons, a Sister of Mercy for 50 years, this auspicious award is given annually to an individual who exemplifies the values of the Food Pantries for the Capital District; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Skinner 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, A steadfast and dedicated volunteer at the Food Pantry of St. Vincent's Church, Margaret Skinner is a leader at the Food Pantries for the Capital District as a member of its Board of Directors; she served as President of the Board from 2010 to 2014, after having previously served in various leadership positions since 2008; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as Board Member and volunteer, Margaret Skinner has been instrumental in developing strong financial oversight

through the Finance Committee, and has built wonderful community relationships, bringing in new volunteers and supporters; and

WHEREAS, Active within the community she so ably serves, Margaret Skinner serves on the Albany County FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Board, as well as on the Committee for the CROP Walk to End Hunger; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Margaret Skinner 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 Margaret Skinner has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals 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 honor Margaret Skinner upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Sister Mary Coons Award by the Food Pantries for the Capital District; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Margaret Skinner.