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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Kitt Jackson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Carlyle Adams Ecumenical and Interfaith Award by the Capital Area Council of Churches

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, Kitt Jackson 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 Kitt Jackson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Carlyle Adams Ecumenical and Interfaith Award by the Capital Area Council of Churches, celebrated at its Annual Dinner on Wednesday, October 1, 2014, at the Albany Country Club, Voorheesville, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Capital Area Council of Churches, a fellowship of more than 85 faith communities in the Capital District, provides a wide range of services and programs dedicated to bringing congregations together in solidarity to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless and provide ecumenical and interreligious education, advocacy and worship; and

WHEREAS, The Carlyle Adams Ecumenical and Interfaith Award is presented to an individual who has worked to bring the message of ecumenical or interfaith unity and harmony to his or her congregation and the wider community through activism and projects which exhibit the inclusive spirit of the late Dr. Carlyle Adams; and

WHEREAS, Kitt Jackson 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 longtime member of the Altamont Reformed Church, Kitt Jack-

son has served as an Elder, Bible Study and Sunday School teacher, and has led numerous women's retreats; she was instrumental in the organization of mission trips to Apache, Oklahoma, Project Hospitality in Staten Island, and the Japanese American United Church in Manhattan; and WHEREAS, A steadfast advocate for the hungry, Kitt Jackson has worked for the Capital Area Council of Churches since 1997, as an Administrative Director; she is active in the Faith and Hunger Network, serves as a member of Bread for the World, and chairs the Albany CROP Hunger Walk Committee; and

WHEREAS, In addition, she has participated in the Guilderland Interfaith Council, the Capital Region Ecumenical Organization, the Labor-Religion Coalition and the Schenectady Inner City Ministry; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Kitt Jackson 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 Kitt Jackson 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 Kitt Jackson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Carlyle Adams Ecumenical and Interfaith Award by the Capital Area Council of Churches; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kitt Jackson.