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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending The Coalition Standing Up for the South End against Big Oil and Big Railroads upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by AVillage, Inc. on February 21, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend The Coalition Standing Up for the South End against Big Oil and Big Railroads upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by AVillage, Inc. celebrated at its 2nd Annual Celebration of Progress on Saturday, February 21, 2015, at the Downtown Holiday Inn Express, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, AVillage, Inc.'s mission is to improve the quality of life for residents of the South End in Albany, New York, and beyond, by reclaiming our neighborhoods, by encouraging, engaging, and empowering our communities; and

WHEREAS, Comprised of individuals, elected officials, and organizations, The Coalition Standing Up for the South End against Big Oil and Big Railroads has served the interests of the people of the Empire State by joining with residents of the South End who have advocated to delay a decision on the proposed furnaces to heat oil cars, and to have both more thorough and long term air quality monitoring, as well as support rail routes that do not disproportionately affect low income communities of color; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the dedicated service of the members of The Coalition Standing Up for the South End against Big Oil and Big Railroads; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 The Coalition Standing Up for the South End against Big Oil and Big Railroads upon the occasion of its designation for special recognition by AVillage, Inc. on February 21, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Coalition Standing Up for the South End against Big Oil and Big Railroads.