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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Scott Levine upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pride Center of the Capital Region's Community Service Award celebrated at the 2014 Pride Center Gala

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Scott Levine upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pride Center of the Capital Region's Community Service Award celebrated at the 2014 Pride Center Gala, on Friday, October 24, 2014, at the Hilton Albany, in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Pride Center of the Capital Region is dedicated to serving the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) community in the Capital Region; the Pride Center has been meeting their diverse needs since 1970; and

WHEREAS, The Pride Center holds an annual gala to raise needed funds for its fundamental youth and senior programs and services; and

WHEREAS, Scott Levine graduated from Shaker High School in Latham, New York, and earned a degree in Computer Science; and

WHEREAS, Scott Levine was employed as a member of the Data Analysis, Systems Development, and Project Management department for Empire Blue Cross & Shield, the Negotiators, Inc., and the Healthcare Association of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Today, Scott Levine is the Manager of Waterworks Pub, Albany, New York's largest LGBTQ bar and dance club; he develops the Club's information technology, marketing, business strategies, event planning,

and daily operations; and

WHEREAS, Scott Levine also volunteers, fundraises, and organizes various charity events for the Pride Center, In Our Own Voices, the AIDS Walk, the Albany Damien Center, and many others; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Scott Levine is the Entertainment Chair of the Capital Pride Steering Committee; he secured corporate sponsorships and booked the entertainment for the Capital Pride Festival for nine years; the event has raised a significant amount of funds and has featured artists such as Taylor Dayne, Debbie Gibson, Thelma Houston, Tiffany, CeCe Peniston, and Melissa Etheridge; 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 honor Scott Levine upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pride Center of the Capital Region's Community Service Award celebrated at the 2014 Pride Center Gala; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Scott Levine.