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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Sharon King upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Liberty Bell Award from the Warren County Bar Association

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and the great State of New York, are reflective of the purposeful lives and good works of those patriotic and civic-minded community members who dedicate their lives and careers to the service of others; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Sharon King upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Liberty Bell Award from the Warren County Bar Association to be celebrated on Friday, May 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Liberty Bell Award, given each year on Law Day, which is May 1st, by local bar associations, honors exemplary citizens within the local community; the award recognizes outstanding service performed by a non-lawyer citizen who volunteers their time and efforts to serve the community; and

WHEREAS, Such service may include activities which promote a better understanding of America's form of government, stimulating a deeper sense of individual responsibility to the end that citizens recognize their duties as well as their rights; and

WHEREAS, Sharon King has dedicated her life to helping victims of sexual assault and domestic violence seek safety, support, and justice; and

WHEREAS, A tremendous advocate for the rights of those seeking protection and justice within the system, Sharon King has accompanied victims to hospitals and court rooms, and facilitated community change through the development and implementation of programs which work to

increase awareness and improve responses to this serious problem; and
WHEREAS, This esteemed woman has worked tirelessly to mobilize communities on behalf of sexual assault and domestic violence victims across three different states; her work in both Warren and Washington Counties has focused on engaging male youth to be activists and allies in the movement to prevent violence against women; and

WHEREAS, Sharon King has received both statewide as well as national attention for her distinguished efforts; she is the proud mother of two daughters and enjoys hiking, traveling, camping, and kayaking; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which this remarkable woman 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Sharon King upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Liberty Bell Award from the Warren County Bar Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sharon King.