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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Beverly Gridley upon the occasion of her designation as the 2015 Guilford Citizen of the Year on May 25, 2015

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Beverly Gridley upon the occasion of her designation as the 2015 Guilford Citizen of the Year to be celebrated at the Guilford Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 25, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Beverly Gridley 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, In 1957, Beverly Gridley became a resident of Guilford, New York; 10 years later, she and her husband moved to the village; and

WHEREAS, Beverly Gridley is a faithful and active member of the Guilford United Methodist Church; throughout the years, she has volunteered for many church projects and organizations, including Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, a booth at the Chenango County Fair, rejuvenation projects, rummage and bake sales, and the Annual Harvest Dinner and other meals, as well as the food bank and thrift store; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Beverly Gridley has served as the activity leader, both a member and officer of the United Methodist Women's group, and participated on the church's Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Beverly Gridley is also devoted to her community, serving in many different roles, such as an active supporter of the Guilford Historical Society, and a volunteer at the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society; she also helped organize the Guilford 1976 Bicentennial Celebration, as well as assisted with the Guilford

Fire Department community picnics; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Beverly Gridley is a member of the Quilt Club and the Annual Guilford Community Day Planning Committee and serves on the Board of Elections; she has also held the positions of Brownie and Girl Scout Leader, advisor for the Carry On 4H Club and the Blue Bonnet 4H Club, and both Secretary and Treasurer of the Yaleville Cemetery Board; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Beverly Gridley has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout has been her husband, Hobie, who feels privileged to be a part of her life and rejoices in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Beverly Gridley 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 commend Beverly Gridley upon the occasion of her designation as the 2015 Guilford Citizen of the Year on May 25, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Beverly Gridley.