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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Carole H. Grove upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Outstanding Caregiver of the Year Award by the Mohawk Valley Community of Elder Wellness Council

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies to serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

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 individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Carole H. Grove upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Outstanding Caregiver of the Year Award by the Mohawk Valley Community of Elder Wellness Council to be celebrated at its Fifth Annual Celebrating Life event on Thursday, November 5, 2015, at Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro, New York; and

WHEREAS, Known for her tireless dedication and commitment to helping others, Carole H. Grove has left an indelible mark on the world through her volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, In 1978, Carole H. Grove moved to Utica, New York, bringing with her the foundation of a program known as Your Neighbors, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, For the past three decades, Your Neighbors, Inc. has provided support to home bound individuals in the Greater Utica area with such important services as shopping assistance, companion care, medical rides, supplemental meals and friendly reassurance calls; and

WHEREAS, As a founding member and coordinator of the food program, Carole H. Grove's willingness to share her vast experience has played a

vital role in helping Your Neighbors, Inc. fulfill its mission of helping individuals remain an integral part of their communities; and WHEREAS, This esteemed woman has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; currently, she serves as a member of the Board of Directors for Your Neighbors, Inc., and is President of the Friends of the Lutheran Homes; she is also the founder of her own business, Bagel Grove; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to resolving hunger issues through her work at Zion Lutheran Church, Carole H. Grove is also part of the World Hunger and Global Mission Teams for the Upstate New York Synod; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband and four children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Carole H. Grove 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 Carole H. Grove upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Outstanding Caregiver of the Year Award by the Mohawk Valley Community of Elder Wellness Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Carole H. Grove.