

## 2015-J3553

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Heather Howley for special recognition for her achievements as Chief Pilot/Chief Executive Officer of Independent Helicopters, LLC by the YWCA of the Greater Capital Region, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the leaders of commerce and industry whose accomplishments contribute to the economic health and prosperity of the communities of the State of New York and whose purposeful endeavors, as involved members of the community, enhance the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Heather Howley for special recognition for her achievements as Chief Pilot/Chief Executive Officer of Independent Helicopters, LLC by the YWCA of the Greater Capital Region, Inc., celebrated at its Resourceful Women's Awards Luncheon, held at the Troy Hilton Garden Inn in Troy, New York, on Wednesday, September 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The YWCA of the Greater Capital Region, Inc. was created with the intentions of being a safe place for women to launch a new start; through their continued determination, the YWCA is able to assist these women in reaching their goals and being able to maintain self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, The YWCA of the Greater Capital Region, Inc. works every day to live up to their mission of eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all; and

WHEREAS, The first YWCA was founded in 1855, and since that time, the organization has grown to over 25 million members in 122 countries; in the United States alone, the YWCA has over 2 million members and 300 local associations; and

WHEREAS, Since 2000, the YWCA of the Greater Capital Region, Inc. has

held an award ceremony to honor individuals whose community and professional pursuits advance the empowerment of women, and whose spirit of determination defines the women of the YWCA; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to recognize Heather Howley, Chief Pilot/Chief Executive Officer of Independent Helicopters, LLC, for her commitment and contributions to the Greater Capital Region and to its quality of life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when individuals and businesses 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 Heather Howley for special recognition for her achievements as Chief Pilot/Chief Executive Officer of Independent Helicopters, LLC by the YWCA of the Greater Capital Region, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Heather Howley.