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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Christine Horne upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Chamber Champion Award by the Capital Region Chamber

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, Christine Horne has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Christine Horne upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Chamber Champion Award by the Capital Region Chamber to be celebrated at its Annual Dinner on Thursday, March 10, 2016, at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Capital Region Chamber helps build a stronger community by connecting its members to people, businesses and issues important to New York's Capital Region; it provides leadership and resources to assist 2,800 businesses and organizations throughout Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer and Saratoga Counties and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Christine Horne is being honored for her outstanding efforts in advancing the Capital Region Chamber's mission of helping for-profit and nonprofit businesses of all types and sizes accomplish more together than ever would have been possible on their own; and

WHEREAS, An integral part of General Electric (GE) for the past 27 years, Christine Horne began her career as an Engineer, and has held leadership positions in the Commercial, Product Management and Quality sections prior to joining the Communications Department in 2001; and

WHEREAS, During her illustrious tenure in Communications, Christine

Horne has undertaken an exciting array of responsibilities while accomplishing such impressive feats as building GE's first intranet, producing a Super Bowl commercial and hosting President Obama; and WHEREAS, Since 2009, this esteemed business leader has served as both Communications and Public Relations Manager for GE Power; during this time, she has overseen her company's Media and Public Relations, Employee Communications and Community Affairs in New York's Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Christine Horne was responsible for communications across the entire Global GE Power Portfolio for Union and Industrial Relations and the Global Supply Chain; she has also served as the Corporate Communications Leader for GE's 2015 National Labor Negotiations; and

WHEREAS, Christine Horne has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; she runs GE Power's worldwide volunteer organization, and has been very active with non-profit and civic organizations across the Capital Region for many years; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Christine Horne serves as Secretary for the Center for Economic Growth, and is a member of the boards for both the Children's Museum of Science and Technology and the Schenectady Chamber of Commerce Foundation; she also provides exceptional leadership on several community advisory teams and task forces; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and honors, Christine Horne has been presented with the 2007 Capital Region Woman of Achievement Award and the 2012 Capital Region YMCA President's Award; and

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

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Christine Horne has stood constant

in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Christine Horne has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Christine Horne upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Chamber Champion Award by the Capital Region Chamber; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Christine Horne.