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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Leadership Orange upon the occasion of hosting its 4th Annual Hall of Fame Awards Event & After Party, and paying tributes to this year's inductees

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 organizations and individuals that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Leadership Orange upon the occasion of hosting its 4th Annual Hall of Fame Awards Event & After Party, and paying tributes to this year's inductees on Wednesday, March 16, 2016, at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, New York; and

WHEREAS, Leadership Orange is an annual 10-month leadership training program where individuals from Orange County are selected to receive training on topics important to Orange County residents and businesses; the program enables participants to better understand the many challenges facing Orange County and to better serve the Orange County community; and

WHEREAS, Leadership Orange is a private, non-partisan organization that relies on support from the business community to reach its goals; over 330 individuals have graduated from the Leadership Orange program since its inception in 1993; and

WHEREAS, At this auspicious event, six honorees will be inducted into the Leadership Orange Hall of Fame for making significant, tangible leadership contributions to Orange County; this year's inductees are Maureen Halahan, Class of 2003, President/CEO of Orange County Partner-

ship; Kristin E. Jensen, Class of 2012, Director of Communications and Development, Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange County, New York; Frank P. Kimler, Class of 2014, Manager, Nugent & Haeussler, PC, and Chairman, Hudson Valley Honor Flight, Inc.; Karen C. Miller, Class of 2004, Communications Manager, National Region, Frontier Communications; and Ellen L. Quimby, Class of 2014, Affiliated Producer, William A. Smith & Son Insurance, and Immediate Past President, Pine Bush Area Chamber of Commerce; as well as Jill Varricchio, Class of 1999, President, Putnam County Economic Development Corporation; and WHEREAS, Alumni from each of Leadership Orange's classes nominated one person from their class who best exemplifies the program's qualities for the Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Leadership Orange's 20th Anniversary celebration presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to this organization and to its distinguished honorees; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to call attention to organizations and individuals who serve to bring people together for the united purpose of actively pursuing improvements in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Leadership Orange upon the occasion of hosting its 4th Annual Hall of Fame Awards Event & After Party, and paying tributes to this year's inductees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the aforementioned honorees and Leadership Orange.