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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Kate Hogan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Twin Rivers Council, Boy Scouts of America on May 11, 2016

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

WHEREAS, Kate Hogan has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Kate Hogan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Twin Rivers Council, Boy Scouts of America to be celebrated at its 2016 Wakpominee Good Scout Dinner held on Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at the Great Escape Lodge in Queensbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, Kate Hogan earned her Juris Doctor at Washington and Lee University Law School, and began her legal career as an Assistant District Attorney in Brooklyn, New York, where she specialized in prosecuting serious felony cases; and

WHEREAS, After entering private practice for a short time, Kate Hogan accepted a position with the New York Prosecutors Training Institute to train prosecutors statewide on handling death penalty cases; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, Kate Hogan was elected Warren County District Attorney where she has worked tirelessly to serve the citizens of her community and has tried a number of high profile cases; and

WHEREAS, During her illustrious tenure, District Attorney Kate Hogan accomplished numerous feats including the creation of a child advocacy center and the implementation of the Warren County Treatment Court; currently, she is serving her fourth term in office; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed woman also served as President of the New York District Attorneys Association from 2009 to 2010, and successfully advocated for the passage of Leandra's Law, Jack Shea's Law and the implementation of a strangulation statute; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Kate Hogan held the title of Chairman of the Board of Directors of the District Attorneys Association, and is now a vital part of its executive committee; she also served on Judge Lippman's Justice Task Force, Chief Judge Kaye's Commission on the Jury and the New York State Arson Board; and

WHEREAS, Kate Hogan has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and legal endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; she currently serves as Chairperson for the New York State Law Enforcement Council, and is a member of the Sentencing Commission and the Children's Justice Task Force; and

WHEREAS, In July of 2013, Kate Hogan was appointed by the Governor to serve on the Moreland Commission which conducted an investigation that resulted in multiple convictions for systemic corruption in state government; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous honors for her exceptional service, Kate Hogan has received awards from the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of New York, and the Spirit of Justice Award, for her work on behalf of victims of crime and from the Kings County District Attorney's Alumni Association as their most Distinguished Alumna; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Kate Hogan was presented with the 2012 Prosecutor of the Year, Executive Leadership Award by the New York Prosecutors Training Institute and was named 2016 Prosecutor of the Year by the New York State Bar; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Kevin Bruen, and their three children, Kit, Bridget and Patrick, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when outstanding 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 Kate Hogan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Twin Rivers Council, Boy Scouts of America; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kate Hogan.