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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Pamela Sawchuk Brown upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Founder's Award by Capital Region Sponsor-A-Scholar, Inc. on June 2, 2016

WHEREAS, A great community is only as great as those persons and organizations that provide exemplary service, whether through participation in voluntary programs, through unique personal achievement in their profession or other endeavors, or simply through a lifetime of good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and the great State of New York, is reflective of the purposeful lives and good works of those patriotic and civic-minded community members who dedicate their lives and careers to the service of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Pamela Sawchuk Brown upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Founder's Award by Capital Region Sponsor-A-Scholar, Inc., to be celebrated at its Annual Graduation Celebration held on Thursday, June 2, 2016, at the Italian American Community Center, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, After beginning her career as an award winning journalist at the ALBANY TIMES UNION and KNICKERBOCKER NEWS, Pamela Sawchuk Brown helped found Sawchuk Brown Associates, which grew to be the largest public relations agency in upstate New York; and

WHEREAS, Following the merger of Sawchuk Brown Associates with Syracuse-based Eric Mower and Associates in 2008, Pamela Sawchuk Brown became a partner in EMA's Albany office; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Pamela Sawchuk Brown serves as Vice President for Community Development at Albany Medical Center where she is responsible for establishing partnerships and alliances to support the hospital's mission in the community; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed woman is a Director of both the Howard & Bush Foundation and the Center for Economic Growth, and holds a gubernatorial appointment to the New York State Archives Partnership Trust; and

WHEREAS, Pamela Sawchuk Brown has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; she has served on the boards of the Albany Institute of History and Art, Albany Medical Center and the Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, A tireless advocate for young people, Pamela Sawchuk Brown has been instrumental in launching a career exploration program at Albany Medical Center for Albany High School students; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding partnership enables Albany High School students to benefit from hands-on experiences and in-depth conversations with medical experts to learn about the realities of pursuing careers in the health care professions; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Pamela Sawchuk Brown 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 Pamela Sawchuk Brown has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Pamela Sawchuk Brown upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Founder's Award by Capital Region Sponsor-A-Scholar, Inc. on June 2, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Pamela Sawchuk Brown.