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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Denise Young upon the occasion of her retirement as an Organizer for the Public Employees Federation on June 16, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the efforts of those individuals who distinguish themselves in service to the cause of working men and women in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Denise Young upon the occasion of her retirement as an Organizer for the Public Employees Federation, to be celebrated at an event on Thursday, June 16, 2016, at the Workers United Union Hall, Rochester, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her illustrious career, Denise Young has held a variety of jobs within the labor movement; after working for 1199 SEIU, she served in the Organizing Department at the Public Employees Federation, a position from which she will officially retire in June of 2016; and

WHEREAS, The conscience of the progressive movement, Denise Young has been a member of the adjunct faculty in the Cornell ILR Labor Extension program, and represents the United Steelworkers on the Rochester Labor Council Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Denise Young is a proud co-founder of the Band of Rebels and holds the title of President of Metro Justice; and

WHEREAS, For her steadfast and unrelenting commitment to New York's laborers, Denise Young was one of 12 women recently honored by the Workforce Development Institute; and

WHEREAS, When she is not fighting for workers' rights or social

justice, Denise Young enjoys spending time with her family and singing on Sunday evenings with Concentus, an ensemble of remarkable women; and WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her two sons, Robert (Barbara) and John "Jack" (Shannon); a daughter, Gillian; and five grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her illustrious career, Denise Young served the Public Employees Federation with intelligence and caring dedication, continuously striving to effectively fulfill the duties of her position; and

WHEREAS, Sincerely loved and greatly respected by all those with whom she worked, Denise Young will be remembered for her honesty, integrity, keen sense of duty and ability to show a unique grasp of human problems in her official acts; 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 commend Denise Young upon the occasion of her retirement as an Organizer for the Public Employees Federation, and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Denise Young.