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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Angela Augugliaro upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

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, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Angela Augugliaro upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, In 1977, Angela Augugliaro and her family moved to Bellerose, New York, and shortly thereafter, she became involved with the Queens Colony Civic Association, where she hoped to get to know her new neighbors and learn about her new neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, A working mother, Angela Augugliaro volunteered as a PTA board member at her children's school; after her daughters joined the Girl Scouts, she served as a Troop leader for several years; and

WHEREAS, Angela Augugliaro's involvement with the Queens Colony Civic Association evolved because of her concern for the quality of life with-

in the community of Bellerose; she worked on the refreshment committee, and became the Corresponding Secretary; and

WHEREAS, In 1984, Angela Augugliaro held the title of co-President; in this capacity, she was instrumental in advocating for her community throughout major reconstruction of Commonwealth Boulevard and the Cross Island Parkway; for 28 years, has served as President of the Association; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure as a civic leader, Angela Augugliaro has successfully accomplished numerous goals including fighting proposed zoning changes to School District 26, and having her Bellerose neighborhood rezoned to a one-family only zone; and

WHEREAS, Since that time there has been an increase in the number of two-family homes which began to affect the quality of life of the Bellerose residents; several years ago, Angela Augugliaro strived to prevent further over-development and overcrowding in her neighborhood, by co-authoring a new zoning designation which was called R2N; and

WHEREAS, As a result of her invaluable work, her community's infrastructure has been stabilized and the Bellerose residents' lives have been enhanced; and

WHEREAS, In 1999, Angela Augugliaro was appointed to Community Board 13Q where she currently holds the position of First Vice Chair; three years later, the Joint Bellerose Business District Development Corporation was formed and she was one of the founding members; and

WHEREAS, The Corporation is a not-for-profit organization formed to improve the activity and look of the business strip of Jamaica Avenue/Jericho Turnpike; some of the Corporation's accomplishments include the placement of cast iron ornamental street lights along the

business strip, a tree planting program along Jericho Turnpike, and maintaining a graffiti free environment; and

WHEREAS, For her steadfast and unremitting commitment to her community, Angela Augugliaro was the recipient of the 2012 Woman of the Year

Award; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Michael, and her three daughters, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Individuals such as Angela Augugliaro, devoted to improving the quality of life for others, enabling them to build lives of dignity and self-worth, are deserving of the highest praise and recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Angela Augugliaro upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Angela Augugliaro.