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Senate Resolution No. 875

BY: Senator HOYLMAN

HONORING Jane Schreibman 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 the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the caring concern and heroic acts of exemplary citizens who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations, and in doing so, help others to avert life-threatening danger; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jane Schreibman 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, On the evening of September 17, 2016, a bomb went off in a dumpster on 23rd Street between 6th and 7th Avenues, injuring 29 people and shattering windows in the adjacent VISIONS at Selis Manor, a

supportive housing development for blind individuals; and

WHEREAS, Jane Schreibman, who lives four blocks north, received a call warning her of this nearby explosion, and without hesitation or regard for her own safety, headed outside to assess the situation; and

WHEREAS, Once outside, Jane Schreibman noticed a cooking pot arrayed with wires left on her street; she promptly called authorities who utilized a police robot to safely deactivate and remove the rigged device; and

WHEREAS, A resident on West 27th Street in Chelsea for 36 years, Jane Schreibman's quick thinking was instrumental in the successful diversion of another explosion, saving countless lives; and

WHEREAS, Praised for her brave actions, Jane Schreibman demonstrated her true character and genuine compassion for the welfare of others, personifying, by virtue of her actions, the collective concern of ordinary citizens across the community of the State of New York who voluntarily respond when others are in need; and

WHEREAS, Justly recognized as a hero, Jane Schreibman richly merits the admiration of this Legislative Body and her community for her consummate courage and heroic actions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jane Schreibman 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 copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Jane Schreibman.