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Senate Resolution No. 2169

BY: Senator BRESLIN

COMMENDING Maureen S. Bonanni, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of The Daniel Mahoney Memorial Award by the Capital District Trial Lawyer's Association

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in recognizing its esteemed residents who have distinguished themselves in their community and their professions; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Maureen S. Bonanni, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of The Daniel Mahoney Memorial Award by the Capital District Trial Lawyer's Association, to be celebrated at its Annual Dinner on June 15, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Each year, The Daniel Mahoney Memorial Award is presented in memory of the founder of the Capital District Lawyer's Association, to an attorney for demonstrating outstanding commitment and service to his or her clients, the bar and profession, and to the perpetuation of the work of the Shirt Sleeve Lawyer; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Albany, New York, Maureen S. Bonanni was a 1971 cum laude graduate of the College of St. Rose, and a 1972

graduate of the State University of New York at Albany, with a master's degree in political science; and

WHEREAS, After working for a few years in the New York State Legislature and several lobby firms, Maureen S. Bonanni returned to Albany Law School, where she graduated in 1980; and

WHEREAS, After entering into a field with few women litigators, Maureen S. Bonanni did trial work with an Albany defense firm; due to her experience, she was elected to the American Board of Trial Advocates in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of her distinguished career, Maureen S. Bonanni has defended the manufacturers of products in catastrophic injury cases and health care professionals and hospitals in civil litigation, as well as before Boards of Misconduct; and

WHEREAS, Maureen S. Bonanni's experience includes defending manufacturers of farm equipment, automobiles, furniture and numerous other products; she has handled cases involving brain damaged infants and adults, neurologically impaired infants and adults, and wrongful death claims as well as defended insurance companies in cases asserting bad faith and fraud; and

WHEREAS, Admitted in New York State courts, United States District Court for the Northern District of New York, Eastern District of New York, and Southern District of New York, Maureen S. Bonanni is also a member of the American Bar Association, New York State Bar Association, Albany County Bar Association, Saratoga County Bar Association, Capital

District Trial Lawyers Association and Defense Research Institute, as well as Sustaining Member and Past President of the Albany Law School

American Inns of Court; and

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and the great State of New York, are 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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Maureen S. Bonanni, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of The Daniel Mahoney Memorial Award by the Capital District Trial Lawyer's Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Maureen S. Bonanni, Esq.