

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION celebrating the 30th Anniversary of Joseph's House, Troy, New York, on March 26, 2013

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, A great community is only as great as those organizations and individuals who 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Joseph's House, Troy, New York, on March 26, 2013; and

WHEREAS, In 1982, Joseph's House was created in an effort to address the needs of the increasing homeless population within the community; three decades later, this vital organization has grown significantly in size and services provided for the homeless community in Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, A community-based, not-for-profit corporation, Joseph's House mission is to prevent and alleviate homelessness; its programs offer emergency shelter, permanent housing, support services, hospitality and guidance to homeless individuals, youth, and families; and

WHEREAS, Joseph's House offers non-judgmental services where each guest's dignity and worth are recognized and respected; it guides guests in getting help from community agencies and acts as an advocate to the homeless to address immediate and long-term needs; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Joseph's House provides an opportunity for people from the local community to volunteer in service to the homeless; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Joseph's House is in direct correlation to the efforts of its administration, staff, and volunteers, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the House and the population it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Joseph's House, Troy, New York, on March 26, 2013, and to wish it continued success in the years to come; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joseph's House.