LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Rose Hosp upon the occasion of being named the 2013 Senior Citizen Volunteer of the Year

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Rose Hosp upon the occasion of being named the 2013 Senior Citizen Volunteer of the Year, to be celebrated on Wednesday, May 15, 2013, at the Older American Awards Ceremony and Dinner, in New York Mills, New York; and

WHEREAS, Rose Hosp is a native of Utica, New York, and currently resides in Barneveld; a UFA graduate, she received her B.A. degree from Utica College and her M.A. degree from Middlebury College; before her retirement in 1998, she taught Spanish for 34 years in the Holland Patent School system, and after retirement she continued teaching for seven years as an Adjunct Professor at Utica College; and

WHEREAS, Volunteering is a passion of Rose Hosp; for 12 years she has been a volunteer facilitator at MVILR; she not only leads the Choral Group at the Parkway Senior Center, but she also volunteers at Hope House; and

WHEREAS, Rose Hosp has served a lifetime of singing and organist for church choirs; seven years with the BARBershoppee Bells; and three years with the Rose Garden Ensemble; she has been volunteering for the Utica Boilermakers for over 30 years and also has run in 33 races; and

WHEREAS, For 14 years Rose Hosp has been a docent at Munson Williams Proctor Institute, and she is currently serving as Treasurer for the Barneveld Public Library; and

WHEREAS, Rose Hosp is a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity, where she participated in seven different trips, including Anchorage, Alaska, and in Central America where building homes was done without power tools and working in extremely hot weather; during these trips she volunteered to be an interpreter for the native people; she uses her interpretation skills through her volunteer commitment to "Friends of Olopa" in the small village of Olopa, Guatemala; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Rose Hosp has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Jack, and their son, daughter-in-law and grandson, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; 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 honor Rose Hosp upon the occasion of being named the 2013 Senior Citizen Volunteer of the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rose Hosp.