

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Marcia Reed upon the occasion of being selected as the 2013 South Jefferson Citizen of the Year

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to the dedicated efforts of those individuals from across the State of New York who volunteer their time and energies in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Marcia Reed upon the occasion of being selected as the 2013 South Jefferson Citizen of the Year for her long-standing commitment to volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism is an essential element of all societies; it provides a way in which the human values of community, caring and serving can be sustained and strengthened; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism promotes family and community solidarity; most importantly, people who volunteer their time in civic and charitable endeavors inspire others to the call of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Marcia Reed began volunteering as a young girl in the Adams United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, The outpouring of love and support which Marcia Reed witnessed from her church and her community when her father was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease in the 1950s, influenced her to dedicate herself to volunteerism throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Marcia Reed taught Sunday school at the Adams United Methodist Church for 46 years, while at the same time, serving as the church's education chairwoman and coordinator of the vacation Bible School; and

WHEREAS, Marcia Reed spent many years volunteering as secretary for the South Jefferson Parent Teacher Organization as well as secretary for the S.J.C.S. Leuze-Reardon-Belloff Scholarship and Loan program; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Marcia Reed was a board member of the South Jefferson Ecumenical Council, chairwoman of the Annual Crop Walk, and a volunteer for the South Jefferson United Way for many years, eventually serving as its Chairwoman; she was honored in 1978 by the United Way as its Volunteer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Marcia Reed serves as the president of the Rohde Center in Adams, New York, working with people who are struggling to feed their families; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, Marcia Reed is the AARP Driver Safety Program Coordinator, and volunteers for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign; she serves on the Board of Directors of the Historical Association of South Jefferson, the committee for the Adams United Methodist Church Staff/Pastor parish relations, and its Worship Committee, as well as chairwoman for the Annual Church Christmas Bazaar; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice 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 honor Marcia Reed upon the occasion of being selected as the 2013 South Jefferson Citizen of the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marcia Reed.