

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Eileen Barnes upon the occasion of being selected as Clinton County's 2013 Senior Citizen 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Eileen Barnes upon the occasion of being selected as Clinton County's 2013 Senior Citizen of the Year, in recognition of her invaluable contributions to the community through her outstanding, and much appreciated, volunteer work; and

WHEREAS, As Clinton County's 2013 Senior Citizen of the Year, Eileen Barnes will participate in the Annual New York State Senior Citizens Day Luncheon, hosted by the State Office for the Aging (SOFA), at the Hart Theatre Lounge in the Egg, Albany, New York, on Tuesday, May 7, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Barnes was born and raised in the Bronx and was a Vietnam era military wife; she then raised three children as a single mother, holding down three jobs while earning a degree from Pace University to become one of the first woman traders on Wall Street; she finished her paid career as a training supervisor for nine counties in Central New York with the Experience Works Program; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Barnes has been committed to serving her community through volunteerism for an exemplary 54 years; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Barnes works with RSVP, serving on its Advisory Council, being a volunteer tax preparer and acting as a bill pay manager for seniors; she is also a docent at SUNY Plattsburgh Art Museum and serves as Secretary of the Executive Committee of Plattsburgh State Art Docents; in addition, she volunteers with both SUNY Partners In Cross-Cultural Learning, and Program for African Growth through Education, has volunteered as a domestic violence advocate and is a past president and volunteer of Family Promise, an ecumenical organization which provided shelter to homeless families; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Eileen Barnes' distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Eileen Barnes upon the occasion of being selected as Clinton County's 2013 Senior Citizen of the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Eileen Barnes.