LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Carole Merrill Mazurek upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the 2013 President's Circle Award by the YWCA of Schenectady

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Carole Merrill Mazurek upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the 2013 President's Circle Award by the YWCA of Schenectady; and WHEREAS, Carole Merrill Mazurek received this most prestigious honor at the 30th Annual Women of Achievement Celebration on Thursday, April 18, 2013, at Glen Sanders Mansion in Scotia, New York; and

WHEREAS, A woman of singular distinction, Carole Merrill Mazurek has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Carole Merrill Mazurek was employed at the YWCA of Schenectady as the Director of Services to Women and Families; she has 25 years of professional experience as administrator of a comprehensive service for women and children, with special emphasis on services for crime victims and housing; and

WHEREAS, Experienced in grant writing, grant management, and program development, Carole Merrill Mazurek is an accomplished community organizer, working with various community coalitions and task forces relating to systemic change and program areas; she has had leadership roles in various community coalitions and task forces that address homelessness, abuse and human rights issues; and

WHEREAS, Carole Merrill Mazurek participated in various New York State workgroups to re-write NYS Domestic Abuse Regulations for Programs, develop Domestic Abuse Program Volunteer Manuals and development of funding strategy for a New York State Foundation; in retirement, she is developing "Caroline's Legacy", her own creation of watercolor paintings and prints; and

WHEREAS, A recipient of the 2002 Liberty Bell Award and the 2005 Hopeline Award, Carole Merrill Mazurek both earned her B.A. degree in Sociology, and took graduate courses in Sociology and Psychology at SUNY Albany; and

WHEREAS, Carole Merrill Mazurek has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in her unwavering service to her community and profession; 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 Carole Merrill Mazurek upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the 2013 President's Circle Award by the YWCA of Schenectady; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Carole Merrill Mazurek.