

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the University of Rochester River Campus Libraries upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2014 Academic Library of the Year by the Rochester Regional Library Council on June 5, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across the great State of New York is reflective of certain exemplary institutions whose purpose is dedicated to serving the community and the needs of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the University of Rochester River Campus Libraries upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2014 Academic Library of the Year by the Rochester Regional Library Council, to be celebrated at its Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 5, 2014, at Casa Larga, Fairport, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Rochester Regional Library Council (RRLC) is a multi-type library network serving libraries and library systems in the five-county Rochester region of Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Wayne and Wyoming counties; and

WHEREAS, RRLC provides programs and services that enhance member library cooperation, service delivery and resource sharing; it also serves as a forum for the unified representation of library interests helping members achieve together what could not be achieved separately; and

WHEREAS, Through RRLC, its members can coordinate and relate their diverse activities to create a more effective service network to improve information access for the people of the Rochester region and beyond; and

WHEREAS, The River Campus Libraries hold more than 3 million books in both print and electronic formats, over 40,000 active journal titles, as well as microforms, videos and other formats; and

WHEREAS, The arts, social sciences, and humanities collections are housed in the Rush Rhees Library, which was designed to serve as a centerpiece of the River Campus when it was dedicated in 1930; and

WHEREAS, Rush Rhees is home to a number of special libraries and collections, including the University Archives, Rare Books and Special Collections, and the Rossell Hope Robbins Library, which specializes in medieval studies; and

WHEREAS, Anchoring the west side of campus, in the computer studies building, is the Carlson Science and Engineering Library; furthermore, collections in support of physics, optics, and astronomy are located in the POA Library in the Bausch and Lomb Building, and a small reference library is also sited in the Laboratory for Laser Energetics; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when institutions of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the University of Rochester River Campus Libraries upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2014 Academic Library of the Year by the Rochester Regional Library Council on June 5, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the University of Rochester River Campus Libraries.