LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Donna Ramundo upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation on June 5, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the efforts of individuals who distinguish themselves in service to the cause of working men and women in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Donna Ramundo upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation; she will be honored at its 8th Annual Labor Heroes Celebration on Thursday, June 5, 2014, at The Clubhouse at Patriot Hills, Stony Point, New York; and

WHEREAS, Rockland County Teachers' Association (RCTA) President Donna Ramundo is the recipient of the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation's 2014 Lifetime Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Donna Ramundo was born and raised in Elmira, New York, and has served as a union leader throughout her 37-year career in education, beginning in 1987 where she was the chief building representative in her district; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to advocating for the rights of teachers, Donna Ramundo has held almost every position in the Nyack Teachers Association, serving as Grievance Chair and Vice President for many years, and continuing to serve as chief negotiator and President of her district, roles she will play until September 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, As RCTA President for the past six years, Donna Ramundo has endeavored to serve and represent the interests of Rockland County's New York State United Teachers (NYSUT) members; she has served in many capacities for NYSUT, sitting on its policy board where she was a liaison to the other teacher unions in her county, and serving in a leadership role during the organization's yearly assemblies; and

WHEREAS, This wise leader has also served for many years on the American Federation Teacher policy board, and sits on the Central Labor Council Board as Vice President for IBEW 363; and

WHEREAS, Donna Ramundo will retire from her profession in 2014; however her commitment to supporting and actively promoting the best interests of her union family will never waver; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Donna Ramundo upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Hudson Valley Area Labor Federation's 2014 Lifetime Service Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Donna Ramundo.