

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Anne B. McDonald upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Liberty Bell Award from the Essex County Bar Association

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and the great State of New York, are reflective of the purposeful lives and good works of those patriotic and civic-minded community members who dedicate their lives and careers to the service of others; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Anne B. McDonald upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Liberty Bell Award from the Essex County Bar Association to be celebrated on Friday, May 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Liberty Bell Award, given each year on Law Day, which is May 1st, by local bar associations, honors exemplary citizens within the local community; the award recognizes outstanding service performed by a non-lawyer citizen who volunteers their time and efforts to serve the community; and

WHEREAS, Such service may include activities which promote a better understanding of America's form of government, stimulating a deeper sense of individual responsibility to the end that citizens recognize their duties as well as their rights; and

WHEREAS, Anne B. McDonald graduated from Russell Sage College in 1958, and followed with graduate work at Plattsburgh State and SUNY Albany; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding educator in New York State for over three decades, Anne B. McDonald retired in 1993 from the Ticonderoga Central School District; and

WHEREAS, Anne B. McDonald is a member of numerous civic and professional organizations, and has served admirably in such positions as President of both the Delta Kappa Gamma Honorary Educational Society and the Ticonderoga Teachers Association; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed woman is a member of the Independent Judicial Qualifications Committee, and has worked as a delegate and campaign coordinator/consultant on numerous political campaigns; and

WHEREAS, Anne B. McDonald has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; she is the former Board Chair of the Hudson River/Black River Regulating District, and a member of the North Country Community College Foundation Board and Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Anne B. McDonald has provided her support to numerous worthy causes including the Heritage Museum, the Lake George Association, and the Friends of Fort Ticonderoga; and

WHEREAS, Anne has been married to John C. McDonald, Sr. for more than 50 years, and together they are the proud parents of three children, Mary Pat, John (Andrea), and Bridget (Donald), and the loving grandparents of four grandchildren, Elisabeth, Rudd, Meg, and Anna; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which this remarkable woman has displayed throughout her life; 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 honor Anne B. McDonald upon the occasion of her designation as recipient

of the 2015 Liberty Bell Award from the Essex County Bar Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anne B. McDonald.