LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Colin Lovelock upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Volunteer of the Year Award by the Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany on April 16, 2016

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Colin Lovelock has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Colin Lovelock upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Volunteer of the Year Award by the Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany, to be celebrated at its Annual Visionary Gala, on Saturday, April 16, 2016, at the Franklin Plaza Ballroom in Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since 1908, the Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany (NABA) has provided comprehensive services and programs to residents of the greater Capital Region who are blind or visually impaired; in 2015, they helped over 900 individuals of all ages across 11 counties adapt to vision loss, maximize remaining vision, achieve their goals, and expand their independence; and

WHEREAS, In addition, NABA offered screenings to over 3,300 children between 18 months and five years of age for possible vision problems; and

WHEREAS, A great admirer and recipient of NABA's extraordinary work, Colin Lovelock proudly offers his talents and services to help this vital organization communicate to the public the numerous ways in which it improves the lives of people dealing with vision loss and disabilities; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Niskayuna, New York, Colin Lovelock has worked in television since 1984; for over 25 years, he has been designing, producing and editing commercials, PSA's, and special video projects; and

WHEREAS, In his role as Creative Service Producer, Colin Lovelock oversees the creative design, writing, lighting and editing of projects from the original concept through completion; and

WHEREAS, Interested in all facets of the television business, Colin Lovelock is experienced in writing, videography and photography, as well as a multitude of other skills which have made him very successful in the industry; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Susan, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism promotes family and community solidarity; most importantly, people who give of their time in civic and charitable endeavors inspire others to the call of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Colin Lovelock has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Colin Lovelock upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Volunteer of the Year Award by the Northeastern Association of the Blind at Albany; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Colin Lovelock.