

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Adelaide Hutson upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to St. Alphonsus Catholic Church, Auburn, New York

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Adelaide Hutson upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to St. Alphonsus Catholic Church, Auburn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Adelaide Hutson was one of nine children born to Adelaide and John Cullen; in 1966, she graduated from Mt. Carmel High School, Auburn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Prior to operating a home daycare, Adelaide Hutson was employed as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN); and

WHEREAS, Throughout the last 13 years, Adelaide Hutson has held the leadership position of both Pastoral Minister and Christian Formation and Liturgy Coordinator at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church; she enjoys working with families from Baptism through death; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Adelaide Hutson was instrumental in planning a Perpetual Rosary Program which involved approximately 60 parishioners, each of whom prayed an assigned bead of the rosary every day; she also directed students in a performance of Living Stations of the Cross, a long-standing Good Friday tradition; and

WHEREAS, Along with team members from other parishes, Adelaide Hutson helped prepare catechumens/candidates to receive the Sacraments of Initiation during Easter Vigil; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman serves on the Parish Life and Social Justice Committees; in this capacity, she participates in numerous Church events throughout the seasons, including Advent, Lent, the annual garage sale, and children's sacraments and religious education, as well as various other social events; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Adelaide Hutson was responsible for organizing various events at St. Alphonsus Catholic Church during Catholic Schools Week, which provides an ideal way to remind the school family of the many benefits of a Catholic education and display those benefits for the larger community; and

WHEREAS, After attending St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester, New York, and obtaining both Diocesan certifications in religious education and grief counseling, Adelaide Hutson became a Certified Grief Counselor; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, this compassionate woman volunteers her time and energies working with Hospice, visiting families of patients in hospitals, and supporting a school in the Dominican Republic; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her two beloved children, Mary Elizabeth (Lewis) Caster and Jeramy Scott Hutson, and her two cherished grandchildren, Ailish Jean Caster and Madison Jay Hudson, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Adelaide Hutson has brought to her ministry an overwhelming spirit of charity and compassion, acting from vision and enlightenment

in conducting her administrative and spiritual duties, while always displaying the highest standards of personal and professional integrity and dedication; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished woman of God has always given enlightenment, guidance and wisdom to the many entrusted to her care and has administered abundantly and unstintingly to the spiritual and corporal needs of all; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Adelaide Hutson upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to St. Alphonsus Catholic Church, noting her unrelenting and compassionate faith and her exemplary service to God, man, and her community, and extending to her the heartfelt best wishes of this Legislative Body for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Adelaide Hutson.