

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING Bonnie Sciuk upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Grand Island

WHEREAS, From time to time, this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Bonnie Sciuk upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Grand Island, New York, celebrated on Wednesday, March 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, New York State is home to countless women, strong and colorful threads vital to the fabric of our rich heritage, who have and continue to contribute to the advancement of our culture through their traditional and non-traditional roles in society; and

WHEREAS, The Zonta Club, an international organization of professional women who work to advance the status of women through service and advocacy, sets aside March 8th of each year as Yellow Rose Day, to honor the accomplishments of women worldwide; the Zonta Club of Grand Island takes this opportunity to honor women whose courage, determination and dedication have made a difference in the lives of others within the community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, As owner and founder of Brite Ideas Sales and Marketing, Bonnie Sciuk has been a vital part of the industry for over 36 years as a full-service sales promotion and advertising specialty agency; she provides creative promotional products, advertising specialty solutions, corporate gift ideas, and executive and business gifts; it holds the minority status as a Women Business Enterprise; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the community, Bonnie Sciuk has received numerous awards and accolades including the 1992 Citizen of the Year, for Brite Ideas Sales and Marketing and 2009 Citizen of the Year as Business Person; in 2009, she was also selected as one of the Woman's History Month recipients by the New York State Senate in the field of public service; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Bonnie Sciuk is active in her church and has been a member of the town's Economic Development Advisory Board and has served on the Board of the Grand Island Chamber of Commerce; she also served as President of the Advertising Women of Buffalo, a Director of Small Business for the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce and the first Chairman of the Relay For Life on Grand Island; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Bonnie Sciuk upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Grand Island; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bonnie Sciuk.