

BY: Senator BRESLIN

CONGRATULATING Theresa Weinman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Albany Medical Center Volunteer Leadership Award by Unity House

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, Theresa Weinman has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Theresa Weinman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Albany Medical Center Volunteer Leadership Award by Unity House to be celebrated at its Domestic Violence Awareness Event and Art Show on Wednesday, October 19, 2016, at The Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, Unity House is a Rensselaer County-based human service agency that provides a wide range of services to meet the otherwise unmet needs of people in our community who are hurting and struggling; it assists those who are living in poverty, adults living with mental illness or HIV/AIDS, victims of domestic violence, and children with developmental delays; and

WHEREAS, A native of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Theresa Weinman began working at Albany Medical Center 26 years ago after serving on the staff of state Senator Donald Halperin of New York City; and

WHEREAS, In her role at Albany Medical Center as Administrative Coordinator for the Department of Family & Community Medicine, Theresa Weinman arranges and coordinates many of the community service learning opportunities for medical students; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, Theresa Weinman was recognized for her energy and empathy by Albany Medical Center and named "Employee of the Year"; she is engaged and motivated in her work by watching students and employees make a tradition of those initiatives coupled with her personal drive to make a difference for those on the fringes of society; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Weinman has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Weinman serves on the Board of Directors of Engeye, Inc., a non-profit organization promoting health and education in Uganda that was established by an Albany Medical College graduate; she also is a volunteer for Family Promise of the Capital Region and serves as a

member of the Church Leadership team of the Journey United Church of Christ in Glenmont; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Theresa Weinman has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor and has earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Weinman has exhibited compassion, humility and unselfish dedication in everything she has done and continues to do for the disenfranchised members of our community; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband and two children, all of whom feel privileged to be part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Theresa Weinman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Albany Medical Center Volunteer Leadership Award by Unity House; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Theresa Weinman.