

BY: Senator JACOBS

COMMENDING Dinorah E. Santos upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2017 Community Leader Public Relations Award by the National Federation for Just Communities of Western New York

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Dinorah E. Santos upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2017 Community Leader Public Relations Award by the National Federation for Just Communities of Western New York, celebrated at its Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at the Buffalo Convention Center in Buffalo, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Community Leaders Awards recognize individuals/organizations in WNY who have made significant contributions to this region through their involvement in volunteer activities and/or their special achievements in specific areas of community and professional life; Dinorah E. Santos truly exemplifies the National Federation for Just Communities (NFJC) of Western New York's mission of promoting goodwill, understanding, respect, and trust; and

WHEREAS, Dinorah E. Santos has served as the Public Relations and Social Media Coordinator for the Amherst Chamber of Commerce directing its messaging, Internet footprint, and events; she combines her communications background with her love of people and cultures, helping to create a just and prosperous community; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to her community, Dinorah E. Santos uses her public relations skills to foster racial/ethnic equality and to help children grow into leaders; she has held the position of Chair of the Miss Borinquen Latina Leadership Development Program, and is a vital member of the Boards of Directors of the Hispanic Heritage Council of WNY, and the Emerging Philanthropists of Color; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dinorah E. Santos served as the co-Communications Chair for the Buffalo Urban League of Young Professionals, and participated on the Board of Directors of the Puerto Rican and Hispanic Pride Day; and

WHEREAS, Dinorah E. Santos envisions a Western New York community built on the strengths of everyone working together for the benefit of all; as a young leader in her community, she knows that the first steps to achieving equity are engagement and relationship building across the traditional divides that exist in Western New York; 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 commend Dinorah E. Santos upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2017 Community Leader Public Relations Award by the National Federation for Just Communities of Western New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dinorah E. Santos.