

BY: Senator BONACIC

COMMENDING Pastor Bridgette LeConey upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 **Sullivan County Democrat** honoring Professional Women and Women in Business

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, Bridgette LeConey has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Bridgette LeConey upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 **Sullivan County Democrat** honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and

WHEREAS, Bridgette LeConey earned her bachelor's degree in Community and Human Services and master's degree in Liberal Arts from Empire State College in Saratoga Springs, New York; she also received her pastoral certification from Wesley Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, For over 37 years, Bridgette LeConey has served as the Pastor for both Liberty and White Sulphur Springs United Methodist Churches; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her role of Pastor, Bridgette LeConey serves on the Community Advisory Board at the Catskill Regional Medical Center and is a member of the Faith Committee of Hospice of Sullivan and Orange Counties; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to her profession, Bridgette LeConey is a teacher at the Licensing School for people going into ministry at the New York Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church; she also facilitates a grief and loss support group for the patrons of the church; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Joseph "Bud" LeConey and her two step-children, Jason and Josh, all of whom feel privileged to be a 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 Bridgette LeConey has displayed throughout her life; 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 Bridgette LeConey upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 **Sullivan County Democrat** honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bridgette LeConey.