

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING Julie Palmer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Hamburg and Orchard Park

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 Julie Palmer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Hamburg and Orchard Park; 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; and

WHEREAS, The Zonta Club of Hamburg and Orchard Park 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; Julie Palmer is truly deserving of this prestigious award; and

WHEREAS, Julie Palmer currently holds the title of Executive Director of People Against Trafficking of Humans and is a founder of the P.A.T.H. Enrichment Center; under her luminous leadership, the Center has become a non-profit organization, established a working staff, created a survivor support network, and grown in public awareness; and

WHEREAS, Julie Palmer's dedication and vision have provided a warm and understanding environment for men, women and children who are exploited or at risk of being exploited; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 Julie Palmer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Yellow Rose Award by the Zonta Club of Hamburg and Orchard Park; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Julie Palmer.