

Assembly Resolution No. 1188

**BY:** M. of A. Stec

**HONORING** Ruth Scribner upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Liberty Bell Award by the Washington County Bar Association on May 1, 2018

**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; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Ruth Scribner upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Liberty Bell Award by the Washington County Bar Association on Tuesday, May 1, 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** The Liberty Bell Award, given each year by local bar associations, honors exemplary citizens within the local community; the award recognizes outstanding service performed by a non-lawyer citizen who volunteers their time and efforts to serve the community; and

**WHEREAS,** Such service may include activities which promote a better understanding of America's form of government, stimulating a deeper sense of individual responsibility to the end that citizens recognize their duties as well as their rights; and

**WHEREAS,** This esteemed woman 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,** Ruth Scribner grew up in Granville, New York, where she was raised to understand and appreciate the value of hard work; she spent her illustrious career as a dairy farmer, during which time she was active in the local Grange Farm Bureau and Rural Charity Club; and

**WHEREAS,** An EMT, Ruth Scribner taught classes in CPR and EMT training, and served as Chairman of the Board of Directors; throughout her tenure, she also spent several weeks in Louisiana following Hurricane Katrina, as well as in New York City following the events of September 11, 2001; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruth Scribner was voted 2007 EMT of the Year for a five county region in the Northeast; she retired from the squad in 2013, after 20 years of distinguished service; and

**WHEREAS,** Today, a resident of Whitehall, New York, Ruth Scribner continues to operate a maple syrup business; and

**WHEREAS,** A true asset to her community, Ruth Scribner currently

serves as Director of the Whitehall Emergency Food Pantry, where she has been instrumental in much of its success; she is also on the Board of Directors for Skene Manor, a historical preservation site in Whitehall; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Ruth Scribner has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

**WHEREAS,** With her throughout have been her husband, Vern, their four children and four grandchildren, as well as a great-granddaughter, 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 Ruth Scribner has displayed throughout her life; and

**WHEREAS,** Ruth Scribner, a very active and industrious woman, has inspired and enriched the lives of those she serves through her volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Ruth Scribner upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Liberty Bell Award by the Washington County Bar Association on May 1, 2018; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ruth Scribner.