

**BY:** Senator BRESLIN

**HONORING** Amy Halloran upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Sister Mary Coons Award by The Food Pantries for the Capital District on October 3, 2019

**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,** 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 Amy Halloran upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Sister Mary Coons Award by The Food Pantries for the Capital District, to be observed at its 8th Annual Harvest Evening Celebration on Thursday, October 3, 2019, at Franklin Plaza in Troy, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** The Sister Mary Coons Award is given annually to those who exemplify the values of The Food Pantries for the Capital District; Amy Halloran is truly deserving of this prestigious honor for all the work she has done for Unity House and the lives she has impacted by raising awareness of food insecurity and encouraging discussion to end hunger; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to her work with Unity House, Amy Halloran has supported the fight against hunger by running Troy Waterfront Farmers Market, writing about agriculture, and collecting and redistributing groceries from an over-productive food system to make meals to share from her dining room table; and

**WHEREAS,** This remarkable woman also teaches classes at farming and food conferences, as well as the Troy Public Library in an effort to educate others on marketing for farms and food enterprises; in addition to this, she often weaves together history and personal experiences; 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 Amy Halloran upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Sister Mary Coons Award by The Food Pantries for the Capital District; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Amy Halloran.