BY: Senator RITCHIE

HONORING Roberta Barbera upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2020 City of Oswego Hometown Heroes Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, to honor those whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Roberta Barbera upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2020 City of Oswego Hometown Heroes Award on Tuesday, December 29, 2020, in conjunction with the observance of National Hero Day; and

WHEREAS, The City of Oswego Hometown Heroes Award was established in 2020 to recognize individuals from the City of Oswego who quietly go about improving the lives of others through their generosity, energy and spirit; and

WHEREAS, Roberta Barbera received the Hometown Heroes Award for devoting a significant amount of time and energy to a number of organizations that help strengthen the Oswego community; and

WHEREAS, A retired teachers, Roberta Barbera has played a key role in the Take Charge Coalition, the Oswego Children's Board, Harborfest, RSVP, Red Cross, Relay for Life and the Children's Fund, among other important, local organizations; and

WHEREAS, As a recipient of this most prestigious award, Roberta Barbera truly embodies the meaning of service and sets a shining example for others to follow; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Roberta Barbera has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Roberta Barbera, that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Roberta Barbera upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2020 City of Oswego Hometown Heroes Award, and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Roberta Barbera.