Senate Resolution No. 1830

BY: Senator WEBB

COMMENDING Rebecca Boyer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the caring concern and heroic acts of individuals who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations, nobly risking their own lives in an effort to preserve the life of another; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Rebecca Boyer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by Resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, On December 30, 2025, Rebecca Boyer saved the life of a man experiencing a medical emergency, demonstrating the profound impact of individual leadership in moments of crisis; and

WHEREAS, Owner of McGraw Small Town Pizzeria in McGraw, New York, Rebecca Boyer was alerted to an emergency in a parked vehicle outside her business where a passenger was suffering from a heart attack; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the urgency of the situation, Rebecca Boyer remained calm and focused as she provided aid until further help could arrive; her decisive response ensured that the individual received critical assistance during a life-threatening emergency, and a situation that could have ended in tragedy, instead resulted in a saved life; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Boyer acted without hesitation and without regard for recognition, guided solely by compassion and concern for another person's life; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of her actions, Rebecca Boyer was presented with the Local Hero Award by the Village of McGraw; an honor that reflects the gratitude of a community that witnessed firsthand the impact of her courage and presence of mind; and

WHEREAS, In her spontaneous and heroic actions, Rebecca Boyer demonstrated her character and compassion for the welfare of others, exemplifying the best qualities inherent in our citizens; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

commend Rebecca Boyer upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rebecca Boyer.