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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Karl Gohlke upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2012 Health and Human Services Award by the Senior Services of Albany

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Karl Gohlke has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Karl Gohlke upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2012 Health and Human Services Award by the Senior Services of Albany, celebrated at its Third Age Achievement Awards Event on Friday, November 16, 2012; and WHEREAS, Karl Gohlke has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Upon retiring as a social worker, Karl Gohlke continued to use his experience in human services and love of people by facilitating various groups in Albany County; and

WHEREAS, Karl Gohlke worked with a local organization to try and establish local hotlines for individuals needing support; and WHEREAS, Karl Gohlke's passion for human services was evident even in his youth and he worked hard earning his Eagle Scout while in high school: and

WHEREAS, When his daughters wanted to be girl scouts, Karl Gohlke quickly volunteered to be a leader and was an active board member of the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council for many years; and WHEREAS, Karl Gohlke's career took him to the New York State Department of Corrections where he was a probation officer; and WHEREAS, This remarkable man is involved in the "Changing Aging" and New York State Policy and Politics programs; he has spent his entire life working on improving the lives of others; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a

period of constructive involvement, Karl Gohlke has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Karl Gohlke has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Karl Gohlke upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2012 Health and Human Services Award by the Senior Services of Albany; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Karl Gohlke.