

STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., JULY 26TH, 2018 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 26th day of July, 2018 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, The Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals and institutions of Erie County who enhance the quality of life in the community and throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cynthia A. Zane has devoted much of her life in service to others as a nurse, educator, and college president and was named the third president of Hilbert College in July, 2006, the first lay president in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cynthia A. Zane has worked tirelessly to help make a college education an attainable option to first generation students, and devoted her energy to continue Hilbert College's mission of Franciscan values and traditions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cynthia A. Zane oversaw the completion of a \$3.5 million capital campaign, which included the addition of two science labs, the renovation of the academic building, Bogel Hall, the construction of the residence hall, Trinity Hall, and led the growth of Hilbert's student enrollment and the college's endowment fund, and the college's 95.6% career placement rate; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cynthia A. Zane's vision provided the catalyst to lead efforts to acquire land surrounding the campus to prepare for eventual growth, and to develop new academic programs in Cyber-security and Sports Industry Management, and a master's level graduate degree program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cynthia A. Zane has served on the boards of various community groups including the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, the State of New York Accreditation Council, Catholic Health, the Council for Independent Colleges, and was named to Buffalo Business First's Power 100 Women, and Business First's Power 250; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cynthia A. Zane earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Saint Xavier College, a master's degree in nursing at Rush University, and earned her Doctorate in Education at Northern Illinois University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to recognize and honor **Dr. Cynthia A. Zane** on her retirement from Hilbert College, for her service to the community, and to the lives she improved through her years of service to higher education in Western New York.

Lynne M. Dixon
Erie County Legislator - District 9

Robert M. Graber
Clerk of the Legislature