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LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
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***Honoring Doreen Woods for Her 37 Years of Dedicated Service
with the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library***

WHEREAS, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor and pay tribute to Doreen Woods for her dedication, professionalism, and commitment to bring books and knowledge to Erie County and her community; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Doreen Woods, the highest-ranking African American Librarian currently employed by the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library, will retire after 37 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Woods, a lifelong resident of the Hamlin Park area, was educated in the Buffalo Public Schools and graduated from Lafayette High School, she earned her Undergraduate Degree from Canisius College and her Master's Degree in Library Science from Buffalo State College; and

WHEREAS, Doreen Woods was appointed as a Librarian in 1989 and during her career she managed the East Delevan, East Clinton, Fairfield and Fronczak Branch Libraries, and in 2006 she was promoted to Assistant Deputy Director of Human Resources; and

WHEREAS, because of her professionalism, hard work and dedication to her career Doreen was awarded the honor of the Library Journal's "Movers and Shakers Award" bestowed on the nation's most esteemed and promising librarians; and

WHEREAS, it is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and thank Doreen Woods for her service to Erie County, as well as being a positive role model for the young people of our community and she will be greatly missed by all that worked with her at the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature pause in its deliberations to honor and congratulate Doreen Woods on her 37 years of dedicated service to the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors in her well-earned retirement.

Hon. Barbara Miller-Williams
Erie County Legislator, 1st District

Karen M. McCarthy
Clerk of the Erie County Legislature