

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., FEBRUARY 18TH, 2016 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 18th day of February, 2016 A.D., a memorial resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

WHEREAS, we were saddened to learn of the passing of Donna McCartney Henry who devoted her life to family, community service, charity, and caring; and

WHEREAS, Donna McCartney Henry was the wife of the late Karl A. Henry and the proud mother of Michael, Kelly, and the late Denise McCartney; stepmother of Karoline Henry and grandmother of Connor McCartney-Hurley, Delaney and Rowan McCartney, and Alexxis and Liberty Henry, and

WHEREAS, Donna McCartney Henry worked at Erie Community College for over 25 years holding the position of Coordinator of Facilities as well as confidant to the Board and Presidents;

WHEREAS, Donna McCartney Henry was a longtime volunteer for initiatives that helped and supported children including the Bison Children's Scholarship Fund, Kelly for Kids Foundation, Kids Voting, Nardin Academy, and the Ebony & Ivory Ball for Erie Community College Scholarship Fund; and

WHEREAS, Donna McCartney Henry championed women's issues through her efforts with the New York State Division for Women where she was appointed by Governor George Pataki to bring awareness and raise funding for shelters for women in need; and

WHEREAS, the community as a whole benefitted from Mrs. Henry's tireless efforts as a volunteer for the Buffalo Urban League's 70th Anniversary Celebration, Board Member for the Supportive Services Corp, and the Federation of Italian American Societies of Western New York-Bella Donna; and

WHEREAS, Donna McCartney Henry was known for her passion for local politics and served in many leadership positions including serving as a New York Republican State Committeewoman, longest serving Secretary for the Erie County Republican Committee, Vice Chairman of the City of Buffalo Republican Committee along with being University Chairman. True to her core belief of the need to expand opportunities for women, she was a founding member of the Erie County Federation of Republican Women.

WHEREAS, the City of Buffalo, County of Erie and the entire 8 Western New York counties have benefitted from the work of this extraordinary person.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, *the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to acknowledge Donna McCartney Henry's passing and her major contributions to our community, and we pass on our condolences to her family, colleagues, co-workers and her many close friends.*