

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
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*Recognizing the Frank E. Merriweather Library for
Dedicating and Naming their Auditorium after Eva M. Doyle*

WHEREAS, *Mrs. Eva Doyle*, a phenomenal woman who taught at the Campus West Elementary School on the Buffalo State College Campus, spent more than 30 years as an educator before she retired in 2004, and has spent many years lecturing extensively on African and African American history throughout the region and at the public libraries; and

WHEREAS, Eva M. Doyle retired from Buffalo Public Schools 16 years ago, but she still teaches across Western New York and around the world about African-American history; and

WHEREAS, while in the Buffalo Public Schools she founded the African American Curriculum Resource Center at the Campus West School; and

WHEREAS, Eva received an honorary doctorate of humane letters from Buffalo State College; and

WHEREAS, throughout our community, Eva Doyle has personally sponsored more than 100 essay contests for students, where the winners are invited to the auditorium to read their essays; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Doyle recently wrapped up a long stint hosting a radio talk show on WUFO, Western New York's only Black-owned radio station; and

WHEREAS, Doyle is a columnist for the Buffalo Criterion, the oldest continuously-published African American newspaper in Western New York; and

WHEREAS, annually, Mrs. Doyle hosts a program where she acknowledges local women, called 'Roses for Outstanding Women'; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Doyle is the recipient of the Evans-Young Award, which is the highest award given by the Buffalo Urban League; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Doyle also received the prestigious Red Jacket Award from the Buffalo History Museum; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her well-deserved awards, Mrs. Doyle is one of 28 community and national leaders featured on the Freedom Wall located in the African American Heritage Corridor on East Ferry Street; and

WHEREAS, this Honorable Body desires to acknowledge and recognize individuals such as *Dr. Eva M. Doyle* who best represent change by way of action and devoting her time and her incredible commitment to this city's culture, paired with her outstanding activism for education and strengthening opportunities for our students, deserves to be fully celebrated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby applauds and recognizes *Dr. Eva M. Doyle* on her incomparable accomplishments and decades of profound service throughout the City of Buffalo; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature acknowledges and praises *Eva M. Doyle* on an amazing career on her contributions in our community and proudly celebrate the naming of the Dr. Eva Doyle Auditorium at the Frank E. Merriweather Library.

Hon. Howard J. Johnson
Erie County Legislator, 1st District

Hon. April N.M. Baskin
Erie County Legislator, 2nd District