

# State of New York Legislative Resolution



Senate No. 1086

BY: Senator Griffo

**CONGRATULATING** Marlene Brown upon the occasion of being named a Women Who Make America honoree by WCNY

**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**, Marlene Brown has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

**WHEREAS**, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Marlene Brown upon the occasion of being named a Women Who Make America honoree by WCNY; an awards ceremony was held on Friday, March 1, 2013, at the Women's Rights National Historical Park in Seneca Falls, New York; and

**WHEREAS**, The Women Who Make America awards represent a local collaboration between WCNY, Central New York's public broadcasting station, and the AOL and PBS national documentary, Makers: Women Who Make America, which features the stories of outstanding women whose extraordinary contributions helped to transform the lives of American women and society; and

**WHEREAS**, Marlene Brown has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

**WHEREAS**, She has been designated for this special honor in recognition of her significant community impact and exemplary service in the area of volunteerism; and

**WHEREAS**, Marlene Brown has run The Children's Museum of Utica as a volunteer for over 10 years, creating exhibits and programs for children, families, and tourists; her laudable efforts have earned the Museum both New York State and federal historic building status, and have also secured grants to renovate the building; and

**WHEREAS**, A successful long-time teacher, business futurist and world-wide traveler, Marlene Brown's deep and well-known commitment to The Children's Museum of Utica inspires others; in 2012, the museum was chosen co-recipient of proceeds from the Mayor's Ball and the Landmarks Society of Utica's Restoration Award; and

**WHEREAS**, Marlene Brown is also an active Rotarian; she chartered one of 14 Rotary eClubs authorized by Rotary International and traveled to India for the ribbon-cutting of a women's computer school, and Haiti to begin a water/sanitation project; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Marlene Brown 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 Marlene Brown has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Marlene Brown upon the occasion of being named a Women Who Make America honoree by WCNY; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Marlene Brown.

ADOPTED IN SENATE ON  
April 17, 2013

By order of the Senate,

*Francis W. Patience*  
Francis W. Patience, Secretary

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*Joseph A. Griffo*  
Joseph A. Griffo, Senator