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**Whereas**, Joanne M. Mahoney’s aspirational vision during a time of transformational change in the electric utility industry has inspired and emboldened the New York Power Authority Board of Trustees and its employees as they chart a course for the future; and

**Whereas**, Ms. Mahoney has distinguished herself as the quintessential public servant, adhering to the highest code of personal and professional ethics that have informed her unequalled success as the first woman elected County Executive for Onondaga County, her appointment as NYPA Trustee and subsequent appointment to the position of Vice Chairman; and

**Whereas**, Ms. Mahoney’s transfer of her vast knowledge of fiscal and budgetary policy as a member of the Governance Committee, was pivotal in influencing the actions by Standard & Poor’s to upgrade NYPA’s long-term credit rating and to raise the rating of NYPA’s already highly regarded short-term debt, is a testament to her brilliant stewardship of NYPA resources; and

**Whereas**, Ms. Mahoney’s imprimatur provided inspiration and guidance from concept to completion, in articulating the 2014 – 2019 Strategic Vision, positioning NYPA to optimize its strengths, and to adapt and add to its current capabilities in helping to make New York a leader in forging the new power industry; and

**Whereas**, Ms. Mahoney’s conviction that protection of the environment is every New Yorker’s responsibility and that our children and future generations have a right to a cleaner, greener, and sustainable future has inspired communities; and

**Whereas**, Ms. Mahoney, as a staunch defender of New York State’s unparalleled position as a national and global leader in energy technology and innovation, and ever mindful of the resulting potential for significant economic development, has been an agent of change in laying the foundation for the State’s emerging energy economy; and

*Whereas*, Ms. Mahoney has led by example, placing principles above personalities by “reaching across the aisle” to find commonality rather than difference, helping to reinforce that good government can change people’s lives for the better; and

*Whereas*, Ms. Mahoney leaves a legacy of true statesmanship, inclusivity and respect for all;

*Now Therefore Be It Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Power Authority of the State of New York convey their deepest gratitude, admiration and appreciation to Joanne M. Mahoney for her service to NYPA and that they wish her, her husband, Marc, and their four sons, a happy, healthy and rewarding future.



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