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**NEWS FROM THE OFFICE OF  
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**COUNTY EXECUTIVE HEIN LAUDS DEFENDER BASED ADVOCATE FLORENCE  
KEAHEY'S RECOGNITION BY YWCA**

**Defender Based Advocate Florence Keahey Selected for YWCA's Women in Civil Service Award**

Kingston, NY – Florence Keahey, The Ulster County Public Defender's defender based advocate, has been chosen by the Ulster County YWCA Tribute to Women Selection Committee 2011 to be one of this year's honorees. "Flo" was selected to be recognized in the category of "Women in Civil Service" for her many years of service, dedication, and contributions to our community and to the YWCA.

According to County Executive Mike Hein, "Anyone who knows Flo is keenly aware of her tireless devotion to members of our community. Her efforts researching, arranging and advocating for her clients have helped so many Ulster County residents and their family members while creating significant savings to taxpayers."

The YWCA of Ulster County has recognized outstanding women who live and work in our community at its annual Tribute to Women celebration since 1987. This year's event will be held at the Wiltwyck Golf Club in Kingston on October 14, 2011.

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