

## 2023-J1729

Senate Resolution No. 1729

BY: Senator SEPULVEDA

COMMEMORATING the annual Merit Student event  
hosted by Fundacion Rica Inc. for over 20 years on  
August 31, 2023

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging  
organizations that demonstrate unwavering commitment to education and  
community service; and

WHEREAS, Fundacion Rica Inc., with a laudable history of  
philanthropy and community engagement, has recently established itself  
in New York as a nonprofit organization, thereby extending its reach and  
impact; and

WHEREAS, Fundacion Rica Inc. has been a crucial sponsor and  
supporter of educational excellence, as demonstrated by their  
sponsorship of the Merit Student event in New York, where the  
foundation, in collaboration with the Dominican Government and the  
Consul General Carlos A. Castillo, awarded medals of merit to 545  
outstanding Dominican and Dominican-origin students in various states  
under the jurisdiction of the New York consulate; and

WHEREAS, This event, held annually at the Great Hall and Sheppard  
Hall at City College in Upper Manhattan, signifies Fundacion Rica's  
dedication to recognizing and encouraging academic achievement among  
young learners; and

WHEREAS, For over 20 years, Fundacion Rica Inc. has shown its commitment to student merit and educational advancement, a dedication that was highlighted during the event when Carlos Castillo presented a plaque to Carmen Patricia Brache and Wenceslao Soto of Fundacion Rica, acknowledging their continuous support and contributions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the annual Merit Student event hosted by Fundacion Rica Inc. for over 20 years on August 31, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Fundacion Rica Inc.