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Assembly Resolution No. 2119

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HONORING Maria Marano upon the occasion of her  
designation as recipient of the Award of Excellence  
by the Western New York Educational Services Council

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that  
the quality and character of life in the communities across New York  
State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those  
individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community  
and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its  
long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor  
Maria Marano upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the  
Award of Excellence by the Western New York Educational Services  
Council, celebrated on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at the 18th annual  
Awards for Excellence Banquet at the Creekside Banquet Hall in  
Cheektowaga, New York; and

WHEREAS, Western New York Educational Services Council is a  
nonprofit organization that supports school districts throughout the  
region; the purpose of the Awards of Excellence program is to honor  
school staff and leaders who make a difference for students, have a  
track record of amazing leadership, go above and beyond in their job  
duties, and demonstrate excellent personal characteristics that make  
them a role model for students; and

WHEREAS, Maria Marano is receiving this prestigious award in the support staff category for her role as cook manager at Franklin Elementary and Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Serving the district for 30 years, Maria Marano began as a food service helper and in 2008, she was promoted to cook manager; she oversees all food service operations in her building; and

WHEREAS, Under her illustrious leadership, Franklin Elementary and Middle School breakfast and lunch continues to be outstanding and her staff works efficiently; the quality of the school's food service operation is demonstrated by the fact that approximately 80% of students take part in the lunch program; and

WHEREAS, Maria Marano goes above and beyond to give students a fun, positive experience during lunch and to work with students to offer new options that they can enjoy; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Maria Marano upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Award of Excellence by the Western New York Educational Services Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted Maria Marano.