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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Eric Eversley upon the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of Schools of the Freeport Union Free School District, after 41 years of dedicated service in education

WHEREAS, New York State's commitment to education is unparalleled; its history and stature are secured by the superlative caliber of its educational professionals and the students they inspire; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of those outstanding educational leaders, whose dedication and achievements have been instrumental in developing character and academic excellence in the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Eric Eversley upon the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of Schools of the Freeport Union Free School District, after 41 years of dedicated service in education; and

WHEREAS, For the past eight years, Dr. Eric Eversley has served as Superintendent of Schools of the Freeport Union Free School District; under his guidance, Grade 4 state assessments in math and ELA rose significantly, as did Middle School performance; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Science Research program was implemented and has grown to 150 students and the Early College Awareness programs were developed, reaching 400 students and parents each year; and

WHEREAS, Another part of the legacy of Dr. Eric Eversley is a full-day kindergarten that began in 2006 and an alternative high school that opened in 2008; furthermore, New Visions was named a National School of Excellence, Freeport High School received Middle States Accreditation and the elementary schools received numerous recognitions; and

WHEREAS, Educators like Dr. Eric Eversley provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of young people in their educational journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Eric Eversley has clearly had an enduring impact on the

youth of the Freeport Union Free School District, as well as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who work to support our proud tradition of public education by providing their skills and talents to our schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Eric Eversley upon the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of Schools of the Freeport Union Free School District, after 41 years of dedicated service in education, and for his significant contributions to education in New York State; and to wish him continued success in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Eric Eversley.