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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Erin VanDunk upon the occasion of her designation for special honor by the Cornell University Cooperative Extension 4-H Program on March 3, 2009

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Erin VanDunk upon the occasion of her designation for special honor by the Cornell University Cooperative Extension 4-H Program on March 3, 2009; and

WHEREAS, A 15-year-old from Wallkill, New York, Erin VanDunk has been an active member of 4-H for eight years and joined her current club, the Hamptonburgh Highlights, four years ago; and

WHEREAS, For the past three years, Erin VanDunk has gone to the State Fair as an emcee and journalist and has also presented Public Presentations at the State Level for the past two years, receiving the first place medal in speech in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Erin VanDunk also emcees the annual International Night and participated in Fun And Fitness Night with her club and is a Choose Health Ambassador, who co-taught a workshop for Silent Cooking Demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, A young woman of singular distinction and superlative ability, Erin VanDunk has established a purposefulness of life rarely achieved in youthful years; she represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, Erin VanDunk now stands honorably, with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by her teachers, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when young people 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 congratulate Erin VanDunk upon the occasion of her designation for special honor by the Cornell University Cooperative Extension 4-H Program on March 3, 2009 and to extend to her its best wishes for a future of purposeful success and well-being, fully confident of her response to a promising future and appreciative of the model she represents for all aspiring young people of the Empire State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Erin VanDunk.