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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Seth H. Harris upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2010 Robert J. Neiderberger Award by the Capital District Council for the Social Studies

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, It is also the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in this great State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Seth H. Harris upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2010 Robert J. Neiderberger Award by the Capital District Council for the Social Studies; this auspicious occasion was celebrated on Thursday, May 20, 2010, at the Council's Annual Awards Dinner, held at the Turf Tavern in Scotia, New York; and

WHEREAS, Annually, the Capital District Council for the Social Studies (CDCSS) honors a member who has demonstrated exceptional achievement in social studies education and has given outstanding service to the profession; and

WHEREAS, The annual award of CDCSS is named for Robert J. Neiderberger who dedicated himself to the profession, both inside and outside the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Seth H. Harris is a seventh grade social studies teacher at Shaker Junior High School; his love of history and passion for education is evident to all who enter his classroom; and

WHEREAS, The enthusiasm and commitment that Seth H. Harris has shown to his students, colleagues and school place him in the outstanding educator category; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Seth H. Harris is involved in many extra-curricula activities outside of his classroom; he is editor of THE LIAISON, a judge for the We The People competition, coordinator of Shaker Junior High School's Law Day program and a National History Day judge; and

WHEREAS, Seth H. Harris is also a Globalization Literature Circle facilitator, Student Council advisor and Chair of the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network; and

WHEREAS, A life-long learner, Seth H. Harris continues to grow as an educator by participating in professional development programs, including the UK Parliament Teacher Institute, C-Span Classroom 2008 Educators Conference and the We The People summer institute at Skidmore College; and

WHEREAS, Seth H. Harris has continually demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the social studies programs and opportunities offered at Shaker Junior High School for the benefit of its faculty and students, as well as for the entire community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Seth H. Harris upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2010 Robert J. Neiderberger Award by the Capital District Council for the Social Studies; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Seth H. Harris.