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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Quinnipiac University student Bridget Assip for her efforts in delivering medical care to residents of Nicaragua

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their global communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Bridget Assip has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Quinnipiac University student Bridget Assip for her efforts in delivering medical care to residents of Nicaragua; and

WHEREAS, Bridget Assip of Bellerose, New York, is among an interdisciplinary team of Quinnipiac University health sciences students who visited Nicaragua in 2011; their mission was to deliver medical care and host educational presentations for local people in and near the city of Leon; and

WHEREAS, Bridget Assip, along with a group of physical and occupational therapy students, served in an orphanage for children with special needs where they evaluated children and devised treatment plans; they also saw patients in a rural clinic and at their homes to evaluate them and their environments, and made suggestions to enhance both function and overall health; and

WHEREAS, Bridget Assip participated in two days of educational presentations at a hospital in Leon, where the group gave lectures and workshops for local medical personnel, including doctors, nurses and rehabilitation specialists; and

WHEREAS, Bridget Assip helped to provide quality care to the people of Nicaragua who are not able to access therapy services otherwise, along with providing the Nicaraguan professionals with important rehabilitation knowledge; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Bridget Assip has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With her sense of civic duty and her commitment to helping others, Bridget Assip represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; and WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Quinnipiac University student Bridget Assip for her efforts in delivering medical care to residents of Nicaragua; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bridget Assip, Bellerose, New York.