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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mara Deckard upon the occasion of receiving a 2012 State University of New York Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence

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

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mara Deckard, of East Amherst, New York, upon the occasion of receiving a 2012 State University of New York Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence; and

WHEREAS, A student at the University of Buffalo, Mara Deckard is a young woman of singular distinction and superlative abilities who has established a high standard of academic excellence and purposefulness of life rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, The Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence was created in 1997 to recognize State University students who have integrated academic excellence with outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, athletics, community service, creative and performing arts, or career achievement; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, Mara Deckard 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, friends and family; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when young people of such accomplishment 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 Mara Deckard upon the occasion of receiving a 2012 State University of New York Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence, 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 Mara Deckard.