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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Guthrie Diamond upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Student Award by the Capital District YMCA Guilderland and Bethlehem branches

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 communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice 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; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Guthrie Diamond upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Student Award by the Capital District YMCA Guilderland and Bethlehem branches to be celebrated at its 17th Annual Outstanding Student and Educator ceremony on Tuesday, April 29, 2014, at the Appel Inn in Altamont, New York; and

WHEREAS, A junior at Bethlehem Central High School, Guthrie Diamond is highly involved inside and outside of her school; and

WHEREAS, Guthrie Diamond's passion for the environment has brought her to a new level of volunteering; over the summer months, she was actively involved in the 4H Earth Club which met once a week to discuss environmental issues that are affecting the watershed in the Capital District; she also conducted experiments such as testing the pH levels in streams and measuring the effects water pollution has on the wildlife; and WHEREAS, In addition to the 4H Earth Club, Guthrie Diamond is active within Bethlehem High School as a member of the Environmental Club, and tutors students in French; she also is a member of the Peer Helper group which is selected by other students in the same grade, they meet once a week to discuss social issues and how to make the high school a more welcoming place; and

WHEREAS, With her sense of civic duty and her commitment to others, Guthrie Diamond represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; and WHEREAS, This occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to wish Guthrie Diamond continued success throughout her school years and beyond; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Guthrie Diamond upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Student Award by the Capital District YMCA Guilderland and Bethlehem branches; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Guthrie Diamond.