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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Woodland Hill Montessori School, in Rensselaer, New York, on May 2, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those institutions of true purpose and high achievement whose exemplary programs and accomplishments clearly demonstrate an enduring pursuit of excellence in the education of the youth of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Woodland Hill Montessori School, to be celebrated at a Gala on Saturday, May 2, 2015, at 90 State Events, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The schools of a community reflect the character and values of that community; the residents, school officials, parents, faculty and students of Woodland Hill Montessori School, on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary, take just pride in its history of quality in leadership, teaching, achievement and community support; and

WHEREAS, Fifty years ago, in 1965, a small group of parents founded the Montessori School of Albany, now known as Woodland Hill Montessori School, in an effort to help develop the immense potential within all children; and

WHEREAS, In the early years, the school provided pre-school education for three- to six-year old children; in 1986, an elementary school was established, serving children from the ages of six to 12; the middle school was created in 2001, and a toddler program was added in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Currently, the Woodland Hill Montessori School is comprised of 290 students ranging in ages from 18 months through 14; and

WHEREAS, The students at Woodland Hill Montessori School are guided by

specially certified teachers who use the well-defined integrated Montessori curriculum and beautifully crafted interactive materials to foster individual and cooperative skills in language, mathematics, science, geography, and social studies; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous leadership of Principal Susan Kambrich, the Woodland Hill Montessori School remains committed to the ideals of its founding families to provide children with the foundation to be successful students, to provide children with the confidence to ask questions, and to instill in children the compassion and inspiration to make a difference; and

WHEREAS, The Woodland Hill Montessori School's talented and inspiring community of teachers continues to uphold Dr. Maria Montessori's maxim that every child is a unique individual who needs to be respected, admired, and unconditionally accepted as a precious gift of life; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is very pleased to have this opportunity to salute the Woodland Hill Montessori School for its long history of purposeful endeavor which has greatly benefited the community of Rensselaer, New York, and to wish this worthy organization continued success in future years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Woodland Hill Montessori School, in Rensselaer, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Susan Kambrich, Head of School, Woodland Hill Montessori School.