

## 2015-J2099

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jefferson Gardner upon the occasion of being named an Outstanding Student by the Capital District YMCA on May 14, 2015

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jefferson Gardner upon the occasion of being named an Outstanding Student by the Capital District YMCA to be celebrated at its 10th Annual Student and Educator Awards Breakfast Reception, on Thursday, May 14, 2015, at the Sarazen Student Union, Siena College, Albany, New York; and  
WHEREAS, This commendation honors high school students and educators for their dedication to service in their schools, community, and local YMCA; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Gardner is currently a senior at Colonie Central High School; this exceptional young man is extremely dedicated in giving back to both his school and his community; and

WHEREAS, For many years, Jefferson Gardner has participated in various volunteer activities such as collecting both food for troops and funds for UNICEF, and assisting at the NEDA Walk; in addition, he holds several positions at the Eastern Parkway United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School, such as Recreation Leader, and Recreation and Music Assistant; and

WHEREAS, Holding a 4.0 GPA, Jefferson Gardner is a member of numerous clubs in his school, including Key Club, student Senate, and the National Honors Society; he is also the Boys State representative; and

WHEREAS, With a sense of civic duty and his commitment to others, Jefferson Gardner 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 Jefferson Gardner continued success throughout his school years and beyond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jefferson Gardner upon the occasion of being named an Outstanding Student by the Capital District YMCA on May 14, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jefferson Gardner.