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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Trayvon Smallwood upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Black and Latino Youth Achiever Award by the Capital District YMCA at its 12th Annual Awards Banquet on June 2, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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, It is also the practice 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 Trayvon Smallwood upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Black and Latino Youth Achiever Award by the Capital District YMCA at its 12th Annual Awards Banquet on Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at the Albany Marriott; and

WHEREAS, The Black and Latino Achievers Awards Banquet, one of the Capital District YMCA's most memorable events, celebrates the accomplishments of student and adult achievers and illustrates how much can be achieved when dedicated adults support and mentor young people, encouraging them, through participation in the program, to set meaningful educational goals and to make positive contributions to their community; Trayvon Smallwood is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, Trayvon Smallwood, a student at Albany High School, will receive this auspicious award for his outstanding community involvement and volunteer service to the Capital District YMCA; and

WHEREAS, With his sense of civic duty and his commitment to others, Trayvon Smallwood 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 that when individuals of such commitment, dedication and accomplishment are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Trayvon Smallwood upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Black and Latino Youth Achiever Award by the Capital District YMCA at its 12th Annual Awards Banquet on June 2, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Trayvon Smallwood.