

## 2015-J2261

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Cassandra Rodriguez upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES on May 1, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, to honor the achievements of its young citizens and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and accomplishments exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Cassandra Rodriguez upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES celebrated at its Second Annual Awards Breakfast, on May 1, 2015, at Kuhl's Highland House, Middletown, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award recognizes outstanding high school students for their accomplishments and/or performances in the arts, including fine arts, theater, and music; and

WHEREAS, Cassandra Rodriguez has distinguished herself as a young woman of superlative ability, talent, and maturity, establishing standards of excellence and achievement, purposefulness of life, and responsibility rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, A Senior at S.S. Seward Institute, Florida, New York, Cassandra Rodriguez has plans to major in Occupational Therapy at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, after graduating; she hopes to become an Early-Development Occupational Therapist within the next five years; and

WHEREAS, In her school, Cassandra Rodriguez serves as the President of the Youth Ending Hunger Club, and Vice President of the Spanish Club; in addition, she is a member of the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Known as a kind and compassionate young woman, Cassandra Rodriguez volunteers her time by assisting in the Special Education classroom in her school and tutoring her fellow classmates; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Cassandra Rodriguez traveled to Haiti to help children in an orphanage, and also went to the Dominican Republic with a group of doctors to provide free medical care to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding role model for her classmates, Cassandra Rodriguez has brought honor to her family, school, and community; and

WHEREAS, Cassandra Rodriguez may stand with pride in her achievements, experiencing the satisfaction of her labors and the joy of her accomplishments, eager to face the challenge of new experiences as she continues her education; and

WHEREAS, Cassandra Rodriguez represents the potential inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; this Legislative Body is pleased to honor this young woman, recognizing her achievements and the promise of her future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Cassandra Rodriguez upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES, and to wish her well in her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Cassandra Rodriguez.