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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Aliyah Donadelle upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Rochester Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year

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 Aliyah Donadelle upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Rochester Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Being named Youth of the Year is the highest honor a Boys & Girls Club member can receive; the nomination recognizes outstanding contributions to a member's family, school, community and Boys & Girls Club, as well as overcoming personal challenges and obstacles; honorees such as Aliyah Donadelle are shining examples and living proof that great futures start at Boys & Girls Clubs; and

WHEREAS, A truly hardworking and inspiring young woman, Aliyah Donadelle has been a steadfast and dedicated member of the Boys & Girls Club of Rochester, New York for 11 years; and

WHEREAS, Aliyah Donadelle is an avid member within the SMART GIRLS Club where she helps organize and leads discussions about the inequalities which impact women's health and social standing; she also expresses her passion for cooking at the New York Wine and Culinary Camp offered by the Boys & Girls Club of Rochester throughout the school year and summer; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this exemplary young woman participates in the Mustard Seed Program where she helps to cook and feed the homeless; her spirit and mentality is what defines her, and all those with whom she

comes in contact with embrace the unconditional love she spreads through her service; and

WHEREAS, Active within the community, Aliyah Donadelle is employed as a Lifeguard at the Bay View YMCA and also serves as a volunteer lifeguard at Camp Gorham and Camp DayDreams; and

WHEREAS, Aliyah Donadelle is tirelessly committed to her academics, and holds a 3.80 GPA; she is part of an orchestra and jazz band, and plays the clarinet, bass clarinet, baritone and tenor saxophone; furthermore, after attending a forensic science camp and criminal justice camp at Our Lady of Mercy, she plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in both fields; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to honor 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Aliyah Donadelle upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Rochester Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year, and to wish to her continued success in all of her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Aliyah Donadelle.