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Residents celebrated for their work serving the community

February 28, 2014 - Bay Shore, NY: New York State Senator Phil Boyle takes great pride in the cultural diversity of the 4<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District. In honor of Black Month, Senator Boyle hosted his 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony and Celebration on Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, at the Bay Shore Brightwaters Public Library. The Senator acknowledged twelve well-deserved African-American residents from the Towns of Babylon and Islip with special awards for their service to the community.

This year's Honorees include:

Jasmine Chisholm, Wyandanch - Honor Student, Wyandanch High School

James Cornigans, Bay Shore - Spiritual Adviser, Advocate and Educator

Felice Holder, Wyandanch - Community Volunteer & Advocate for the needy

Nancy Holliday, Wyandanch - Community Activist and Volunteer

Dr. Tracy Hudson, Bay Shore - Educator and Community Volunteer

Kimberly Jean - Pierre, Wheatley Heights - Local Government and Community Activist

Joshua Johnson, Wyandanch - Junior ROTC & Student, Wyandanch High School

Paula K. Santorelli, Bay Shore - Educator & Student Advocate

Myles Singer, Bay Shore - Student/Athlete & Youth Volunteer with YES (Youth Enrichment Services)

Corey J. Swinson, Bay Shore - (Posthumous) Security Specialist & Community Activist

Gina D. Talbert, Wyandanch - Educator and Community Volunteer/Advocate

Theresa Waldron, Brentwood - Community Advocate & Volunteer

There was entertainment and activities to commemorate and celebrate the culture and traditions of the African-American heritage during the evening's festivities.

For interviews with Senator Boyle, additional information about the Black History Month Celebration, or biographies for the events honorees, please contact Senator Boyle's District Office Communications Department at 631-665-2311 and ask for Christine A. Geed or Krista Knoblauch-McNally.