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Senator Bonacic Announces 2015 New York State Senate Summer Reading Program

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(Albany, NY)- Senator Bonacic is pleased to announce that once again the New York State Senate will be partnering with the New York State Library and the 1,100 libraries and neighborhood branches in New York State to get more children reading this summer. The Senate's **2015 Summer Reading Program** is offering students and families a variety of entertaining ways to encourage reading this summer. Last year, 1.9 million children and teens participated in the program.

"Children who participate in summer reading programs avoid learning losses during the summer and return to school in the fall ready to learn," said Bonacic. "These summer reading programs offer fun age-appropriate books and activities to make it enjoyable for children of

all grade levels.”

Those who wish to participate can register at www.nyread.com, or at their local library. Program participants will be able to keep either a handwritten or online journal of their reading record. At the conclusion of the program children will receive formal recognition for their reading achievement. Though the program features material geared towards children in Kindergarten to 8th grade, all ages are invited.

To find a local library and obtain activities, games, links and more information on keeping children reading all summer, visit summerreadingnys.org.