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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Maurice Thorton upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Faith Based Service Lifetime Achievement Award by the Capital District Senior Issues Forum

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Maurice Thorton upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Faith Based Service Lifetime Achievement Award by the Capital District Senior Issues Forum; this momentous occasion was celebrated at its 17th Annual Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, October 7, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Capital District Senior Issues Forum is a voluntary initiative among faith communities, organizations and individuals which provides support for the seniors in the Capital District through education and dialogue; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1988, the Capital District Senior Issues Forum has grown tremendously from its small grass roots beginnings, to a truly vital organization which focuses on the care and success of seniors; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished history, the Capital District Senior Issues Forum has held 16 ceremonies and has recognized more than 676 senior citizens over the age of 85 for their lifetime achievements; and

WHEREAS, Maurice Thorton is one such senior, and was honored with this

esteemed award in recognition of his extraordinary contributions in the lives of others, and for giving selflessly in a faith based service; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Maurice Thorton has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Maurice Thorton has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments 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 Maurice Thorton upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Faith Based Service Lifetime Achievement Award by the Capital District Senior Issues Forum; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Maurice Thorton.