

## 2015-J3800

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Trina S. Newton upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Citizen of the Year Award by the Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those illustrious individuals and institutions of the State of New York whose purposeful endeavors serve to enhance the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend Trina S. Newton on the occasion of her designation as the recipient of the 2015 Citizen of the Year Award by the Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Trina S. Newton, Superintendent of the Geneva City School District, was honored at the Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce's annual awards dinner held on Thursday, January 28th, 2016 at Club 86 in Geneva, New York, for her efforts to expand language programs, improve student achievement and increase the graduation rate; and

WHEREAS, The Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award celebrates an individual who has unselfishly given to the community and created a more dignified, unique place in which we all work and live; and

WHEREAS, In 1987, Trina S. Newton received her Associate degree in Math and Science from Jamestown Community College in Jamestown, New York and, then attended the State University of New York (SUNY) College at Fredonia where she received her Bachelor of Science degree in Education; and

WHEREAS, Trina S. Newton continued her education by earning her Masters in Science degree in Curriculum and Instruction from the SUNY

College at Fredonia in 1994 and eventually her C.A.S. in Education

Administration from the SUNY College at Brockport; and

WHEREAS, For eight years, Trina S. Newton taught seventh and eighth grade Science in the Jamestown City School District, later becoming a Staff Development Specialist and Coordinator of the School Improvement Program at the Erie 2-Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES; and

WHEREAS, Trina S. Newton moved to Ithaca, New York, where she served as Director of School Improvement Services for the Tompkins-Seneca-Tioga BOCES; additionally, she was an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Education at the SUNY College at Fredonia; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Trina S. Newton supervises all K-12 curriculum and instructional programs and the development and implementation of the District's strategic plan, ensuring alignment with the New York State Standards and leading support teams to improving student achievement; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Trina S. Newton oversees the development and administration of grant funds, coordinates the District's Contract for Excellence plan, and chairs committees responsible for student performance, Academic Intervention Services, professional development and annual professional reviews; and

WHEREAS, An active contributor to her community, Trina S. Newton serves on the Roberson Board of Trustees, Family Violence Prevention Council and the Binghamton City Youth Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Trina S. Newton has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our atten-

tion, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend those individuals for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor Trina S. Newton on the occasion of her designation as the recipient of the 2015 Citizen of the Year Award by the Geneva Area Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Trina S. Newton.