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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Olivia S. Mata upon the occasion of being named a New York Academic Scholar by USA TODAY and Phi Theta Kappa on March 8, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those young people who, by achieving outstanding success in educational competition, have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Olivia S. Mata upon the occasion of being named a New York Academic Scholar by USA TODAY and Phi Theta Kappa; the New York Community College Association of Presidents (NYCCAP) will honor her at a luncheon on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at the New York State Museum, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Phi Theta Kappa is a fraternal organization with a mission to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students; and

WHEREAS, This vital organization works diligently to provide opportunities for the development of leadership and service, to create an intellectual climate for exchange of ideas, to encourage fellowship for scholars, and to stimulate interest in continuing academic excellence; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Dutchess County, Olivia S. Mata is being honored for her outstanding academic performance and service to her college and community; and

WHEREAS, A proud member of Phi Theta Kappa, Olivia S. Mata plans on transferring to the State University of New York at Albany to complete her bachelor's degree in both Linguistics and Russian Studies; and

WHEREAS, After graduation, Olivia S. Mata plans furthering her education abroad and teaching English overseas; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this

scholar now stands honorably, with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by her teachers, coaches and parents; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend individuals such as Olivia S. Mata who have shown initiative and commitment toward constantly pursuing higher goals for themselves, and acting as role models of leadership to be emulated by their peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Olivia S. Mata upon the occasion of being named a New York Academic Scholar by USA TODAY and Phi Theta Kappa on March 8, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Olivia S. Mata.