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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Professor Thomas J. Lambert upon the occasion of his designation as Professor Emeritus by the Board of Trustees of Sullivan County Community College on May 19, 2016

WHEREAS, New York State's commitment to education is unparalleled; its history and stature are secured by the superlative caliber of its educational professionals and the students they inspire; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of those outstanding educational leaders, whose dedication and achievements have been instrumental in developing character and academic excellence in the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Professor Thomas J. Lambert upon the occasion of his designation as Professor Emeritus by the Board of Trustees of Sullivan County Community College on May 19, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Educators like Professor Thomas J. Lambert provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of young people in their educational journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

WHEREAS, Professor Thomas J. Lambert is certainly deserving of this esteemed recognition; his perseverance, energy and expertise has helped Sullivan County Community College (SUNY Sullivan) continue to fulfill its mission of providing programs and resources that educate, inspire, and empower students and the broader community; and

WHEREAS, For the past 43 years, Professor Thomas J. Lambert has been teaching sociology as a member of the faculty at SUNY Sullivan; he never considered his job as work, and dedicated his whole being to teaching

and being part of the lives of roughly 15,000 students; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Professor Thomas J. Lambert has been actively involved and energetic in his teaching which his students have enjoyed and admired; and

WHEREAS, After a long stay in the hospital in 1988, Professor Thomas J. Lambert continued to teach for 28 more years; his students motivated him and acted as his very own diehard battery; and

WHEREAS, Today, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Russ Heyman, considers Professor Thomas J. Lambert one of the most treasured faculty members at SUNY Sullivan; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Professor Thomas J. Lambert has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Professor Thomas J. Lambert has brought an uncompromising standard of excellence to his work and a warm sense of caring and concern to every young person he has educated; 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 Professor Thomas J. Lambert upon the occasion of his designation as Professor Emeritus by the Board of Trustees of Sullivan County Community College; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Professor Thomas J. Lambert.