

## 2015-J5854

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Matthew Willins upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES on April 28, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, to honor the achievements of its young citizens and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and accomplishments exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Matthew Willins upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES which was celebrated at its Third Annual Awards Breakfast, on Thursday, April 28, 2016, at Kuhl's Highland House, Middletown, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award recognizes outstanding high school students for their accomplishments and/or performances in the arts, including fine arts, theater, and music; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Willins has distinguished himself as a young man of superlative ability, talent, and maturity, establishing standards of excellence and achievement, purposefulness of life, and responsibility rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, A Senior at George F. Baker High School in Tuxedo Park, New York, Matthew Willins will be attending Fairfield University in Fairfield, Connecticut this fall; he will be majoring in Mechanical Engineering and plans to continue on to pursue a graduate degree in Management of Technology (MOT); and

WHEREAS, Matthew Willins is currently a member of the National Honor Society as well as treasurer and soloist of the high school band, a member of the Select Choir, Voice Ensemble, and a soloist in the All

County Choir; he is also an Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his high school career, Matthew Willins has performed in five high school productions including, THE WIZARD OF OZ, THE MUSIC MAN, BRIGADOON, GUYS AND DOLLS, and SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding role model for his classmates, Matthew Willins has brought honor to his family, school, and community; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Willins may stand with pride in his achievements, experiencing the satisfaction of his labors and the joy of his accomplishments, eager to face the challenge of new experiences as he continues his education; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Willins represents the potential inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; this Legislative Body is pleased to honor this young man, recognizing his achievements and the promise of his future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Matthew Willins upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES, and to wish him well in his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Matthew Willins.