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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Gideon Gadson 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 Gideon Gadson 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, Gideon Gadson 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, Gideon Gadson, a Senior at Port Jervis Senior High School, Port Jervis, New York, has plans to attend the Marion Military Institute in Alabama, after graduation; and

WHEREAS, A fixture on the stage for his entire high school career, Gideon Gadson played numerous roles in various school productions including "Little Shop of Horrors," "Footloose," "Arsenic and Old Lace," and "Peter Pan"; and

WHEREAS, Gideon Gadson's theatrical experience is not limited to

acting, he also serves as the student lighting technician and was the lighting director for both the middle school and elementary theater productions this year; and

WHEREAS, A multi-talented musician, Gideon Gadson is an integral member of the Concert Band, Concert Choir, Symphonic Band, Chamber Choir and A Capella Choir; in addition, he also performed and was a soloist at composer, Evan Mack's concert in Bethel Woods, New York; and

WHEREAS, A true Renaissance Man, Gideon Gadson is a member of the Port Jervis High School Football Team and enjoys playing basketball and reading a good book during his free time; and

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

WHEREAS, Gideon Gadson 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, Gideon Gadson 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 Gideon Gadson 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 Gideon Gadson.