

## 2015-J5863

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Emmanuel Alexander Smalls 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 Emmanuel Alexander Smalls 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, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls 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, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls, a Senior at S. S. Seward Institute, Florida, New York, has plans to major in Environmental Technology at the New York City College of Technology, after graduation; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls will continue to run his successful DJ/music entertainment company, Easy Life Co.; and

WHEREAS, A gifted artist, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls holds the title of Vice President of the Art Club and is constantly involved in many art projects at his school; this year, he completed a five by six foot mural

for the school library and designed the banners which will be installed on the light posts in the school parking lot; and

WHEREAS, In previous years, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls designed the yearbook cover, performed in the drama production of "Grease" and was the DJ at several middle school dances; and

WHEREAS, Last summer, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls proudly served as an intern for the Art and Literacy Program at Red Bull Studios; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding role model for his classmates, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls has brought honor to his family, school, and community; and

WHEREAS, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls 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, Emmanuel Alexander Smalls 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 Emmanuel Alexander Smalls 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 Emmanuel Alexander Smalls.