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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Peyton Victoria Atkins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a New York State Senate Youth Leadership Recognition Award

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to act, in accordance with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Peyton Victoria Atkins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a New York State Senate Youth Leadership Award; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate's Youth Leadership Recognition Awards program is designed to recognize the outstanding young students who will become New York State's future leaders; this initiative is designed to highlight and congratulate well-rounded students who excel academically and have exhibited leadership through extracurricular or volunteer activities; and

WHEREAS, Nominated by a faculty member, Peyton Victoria Atkins is a Senior at Middletown High School; this outstanding young woman submitted a short essay describing the rigors of her academic classes, three-sport time management skills, extracurricular activities as well as her community involvement; and

WHEREAS, A member of National Honor Society and World Language Honor Society, Peyton Victoria Atkins is enrolled in several challenging classes this year including college level Chemistry, Spanish and English as well as AP Biology and AP Calculus; she serves as Vice President of the Student Senate and Treasurer of Student Government; and

WHEREAS, Peyton Victoria Atkins has been active as a member of several

championship varsity sports teams such as soccer, basketball and softball; she has also played the flute for eight years in the school band; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the well-being of her community, Peyton Victoria Atkins volunteers her time and energy to Beautiful People, an organization which provides children with disabilities the opportunity to play sports in a safe environment and at their own pace; this year, she organized a soccer clinic as a Civic Action Project which involved organizing her High School soccer team and the community to work with children from Beautiful People; and

WHEREAS, Peyton Victoria Atkins is a credit to her family, school, community, and her State and Nation, and it is certain that her future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Peyton Victoria Atkins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of a New York State Senate Youth Leadership Recognition Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Peyton Victoria Atkins.