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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Lukas Alvira upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Youth of the Year Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Buffalo

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Lukas Alvira upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Youth of the Year Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, The Boys & Girls Club's highest honor, the Youth of the Year Award, recognizes exceptional young men and women for their outstanding contributions to the community, as well as their perseverance in overcoming personal challenges and obstacles; these honorees are shining examples and living proof that great futures start at Boys & Girls Clubs; and

WHEREAS, For four years, Lukas Alvira has been a member of the Boys & Girls Club of Buffalo where he serves as a role model to younger members; elected by his peers as Keystone Club President, he truly excels as a leader; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Lukas Alvira, the Keystone Club has taken on a variety of activities to engage younger members; this esteemed young man also sets up monthly visits to local nursing homes to play board games and interact with the residents; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his community, Lukas Alvira has been instrumental in organizing several neighborhood clean-up initiatives, and has been an active participant in the organ-

ization's school supply and book bag drive for the past three years; and  
WHEREAS, Lukas Alvira has been the recipient of numerous awards and  
accolades including the Angelo Del Toro Scholarship, awarded by the  
Puerto Rican/Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute of New York State; and  
WHEREAS, An outstanding scholar, Lukas Alvira is a senior at Hutch  
Tech High School where he maintains a 90 GPA, and is a member of the  
Varsity Baseball Team; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, Lukas  
Alvira now stands honorably, with just pride in his accomplishments and  
in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciat-  
ing the caring counsel and support provided by his teachers, coaches and  
loved ones; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to honor 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to  
honor Lukas Alvira upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of  
the 2016 Youth of the Year Award by the Boys & Girls Club of Buffalo;  
and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-  
smitted to Lukas Alvira.