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Senate Resolution No. 316

BY: Senator AKSHAR

HONORING Dr. Jason A. Andrews upon the occasion of being named the 2019 New York State Superintendent of the Year by The New York State Council of School Superintendents

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in this great State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Jason A. Andrews upon the occasion of being named the 2019 New York State Superintendent of the Year by The New York State Council of School Superintendents (THE COUNCIL); this momentous occasion was celebrated with a Ceremony on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at Windsor Central High School; and

WHEREAS, In honor of this recognition, Broome County Executive Jason Garnar named November 13, 2018, Dr. Jason Andrews Day in Broome County; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jason A. Andrews has served as Superintendent of the Windsor Central School District since January of 2006, when he became New York's youngest school Superintendent, a status he retained for several years; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his profession, Dr. Jason A. Andrews currently serves on the Executive

Committee for the NYS Council of School Superintendents, NYS Education Commissioner's Advisory Council, and the National Center for Educational Research and Technology National Board; and

WHEREAS, A charter member of the Institute for Innovation, Dr. Jason A. Andrews also consults with districts across the country regarding Professional Learning Communities, strategic planning, and preventing bullying and harassment; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, Dr. Jason A. Andrews has overseen more than \$60 million in improvements to facilities in the District, allowing the Windsor Central School District to serve students with an outstanding learning environment; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Dr. Jason A. Andrews, the District has earned a number of statewide and national honors, including being named One of the Best Communities for Music Education; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Windsor has the highest number of newly-named NYS Master Teachers among districts in the Southern Tier, boasts the 2018 Middle School Principal of the Year and the Empire State Excellence in Teaching Award winner; and

WHEREAS, Throughout Dr. Jason A. Andrews' illustrious tenure, the number of co-curricular activities in the Middle School and High School, along with the number of Advanced Placement and college-credit courses in the High School has dramatically increased; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Windsor has been a lead district in the Breakfast in the Classroom program, providing free breakfast to every student, and its summer program gives Universal Prekindergarten-12 students access to high-quality STEAM, fine arts and athletics programming, and employment opportunities for older students to serve as mentors; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jason A. Andrews is respected statewide as an educational leader and truly exemplifies the best of his profession; as a member of the Executive Committee, he is a thoughtful and informed

leader, providing keen insight on key issues affecting New York State;  
and

WHEREAS, The Windsor community is indeed fortunate and blessed to have such a dedicated and respected educational leader; his wisdom and contributions reach into every classroom, truly making a difference in the lives of those lucky enough to work with him; and

WHEREAS, A significant contributor to education in New York State, Dr. Jason A. Andrews continually demonstrates an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered at the Windsor Central School District for the benefit of its faculty and students, as well as for the entire community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Jason A. Andrews upon the occasion of being named the 2019 New York State Superintendent of the Year by The New York State Council of School Superintendents; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Jason A. Andrews.