LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Morgan Olson upon the occasion of being honored at the Capital District YMCA's 16th Annual Student and Educator Awards Breakfast on April 30, 2013

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 longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Morgan Olson upon the occasion of being honored at the Capital District YMCA's 16th Annual Student and Educator Awards Breakfast on Tuesday, April 30, 2013, at the Appel Inn, Guilderland, New York; and

WHEREAS, This honor recognizes high school students and educators from Guilderland, Voorheesville, Berne Knox-Westerlo, Bethlehem, and Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High Schools; students and educators are selected as overall winners for their dedication to service in their schools, community, and local YMCA; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Olson, a junior at Guilderland High School, is very involved in the Best Buddies Club which facilitates the interaction of high school students with special needs students; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Olson also trains dogs to be therapy dogs, and is involved in the International Club; and

WHEREAS, Morgan Olson devotes Sunday afternoons to her true passion, volunteering at the Teresian House, where she helps the residents on the Dementia/Alzheimer's floor; fluent in Sign Language, she created an activity that engages the residents in using their minds and bodies; and

WHEREAS, With her sense of civic duty and her commitment to others, Morgan Olson represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Morgan Olson upon the occasion of being honored at the Capital District YMCA's 16th Annual Student and Educator Awards Breakfast; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Morgan Olson.