

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating South Middle School in Newburgh, New York, upon the occasion of celebrating its 75th Anniversary on May 18, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend institutions of true purpose and high achievement whose exemplary programs and accomplishments clearly demonstrate the pursuit of excellence in education and service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate South Middle School in Newburgh, New York, upon the occasion of celebrating its 75th Anniversary; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated on Saturday, May 18, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The mission of South Middle School is to provide quality education with high expectations for all students in a learning environment that is safe, equitable, engaging, respectful of diversity, and designed to prepare students for success in an ever-changing world; and

WHEREAS, South Middle School accomplishes its mission through a partnership that includes students, administrators, teachers, staff, family, and the entire Newburgh community; and

WHEREAS, South Middle School is made up of the following three houses (small schools within school instructional units): Community and Government, Engineering/Technology, and Performing Arts; and

WHEREAS, At the 75th Anniversary celebration there will be an opening ceremony, a one mile run/walk, various field events, Zumba, refreshments and a kickball game; and

WHEREAS, Under the superb leadership of its Principal, Michael Ragusa, South Middle School continues to fulfill its laudatory educational purposes and is proudly aware of its distinguished past; it is eager to fulfill its commitment to its students, faculty, alumni and community, and is planning with vision and purpose for the growth and change it will encounter in the years to come; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to South Middle School in Newburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when an educational institution of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention, it should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate South Middle School in Newburgh, New York, upon the occasion of celebrating its 75th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to South Middle School, Newburgh, New York.