LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Laura Swanson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award by the Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education on June 10, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those outstanding individuals of distinguished purpose whose purposeful lives and distinguished careers have been committed to the pursuit of excellence in the education of the citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Laura Swanson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award by the Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education at its Awards Ceremony to be held on Monday, June 10, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education (SACCE) was founded to promote lifelong learning opportunities for adults within Suffolk County and beyond the county's borders; its purpose is to advance adult education as a vital factor in adult growth, development and fulfillment; and

WHEREAS, Through the sharing of resources and ideas with colleagues in the Nassau Association, and under the umbrella of the New York State Association, SACCE strives to increase the recognition of and respect for continuing community education and its professionals; in addition, it is the goal of the organization to exercise leadership in the advocacy of adult community and continuing education at the local, state and national levels; and

WHEREAS, A teacher of singular distinction and professionalism, Laura Swanson has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in her unwavering service to her community and profession and consequently, has been designated for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Laura Swanson has been employed with Western Suffolk BOCES since 1999; she works as an Adult Career and Technical Education instructor and teaches computer classes at Western Suffolk BOCES, the Suffolk County Department of Labor, and corporations across Long Island, as well as in libraries from Lakeville to West Hampton, New York; and

WHEREAS, Laura Swanson is exceedingly knowledgeable in her field; her professionalism far exceeds expectations; she is very patient with her students, and fosters a very productive and enjoyable learning environment; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned recognition and applause; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Laura Swanson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award by the Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education on June 10, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Laura Swanson.