

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Angela Davis upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Student 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 take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary pursuit of education as adults; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Angela Davis upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Student 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, In January 2005, Angela Davis came to Huntington Station, New York from Ecuador with her two sons; in 2009, through the encouragement of her husband James, she enrolled in The Opening World Program (TOW) to begin the initial steps to pursue her dreams; and

WHEREAS, It was Angela Davis' goal, once in the United States of America, to educate her sons, acquire a driver's license, become an American citizen, work in her beloved field of accounting, and have her graduate degree from Ecuador certified in the United States; and

WHEREAS, After successfully completing full time classes in TOW, Angela Davis acquired her first full time position in data entry; with determination and persistence, she succeeded in one of her goals, and received a position as a bank teller in the local Chase Bank; and

WHEREAS, Angela Davis continues to be an inspiration to everyone who knows her, and has made many of her dreams, by moving to America, come true; in January of 2013, she became an American citizen, passed her driver's license test, and as of September 2013, both of her sons will be in college; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this exemplary young woman is continuing her pursuit to receive certification in her accounting degree, and is working towards sponsoring English reading classes for young children in Ecuador; and

WHEREAS, Angela Davis may now stand with just pride in assessing her achievements, experiencing the satisfaction of her labors and the joy of her accomplishments, eager to face the challenge of new ventures; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Angela Davis upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Student of the Year Award from the Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Angela Davis.