

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

HONORING Dr. Tonie McDonald upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Education Partner Award by Nassau BOCES

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 the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire 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. Tonie McDonald upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Education Partner Award by Nassau BOCES, to be celebrated on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at Crest Hollow Country Club, Woodbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1967, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (Nassau BOCES) is the largest BOCES in New York State, serving 56 school districts; and

WHEREAS, The Education Partner Award recognizes those who have made a substantial impact on public education in Nassau County, and who share in BOCES' commitment to enabling students of all ages and abilities to achieve their maximum potential; Dr. Tonie McDonald is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent of the Levittown Union Free School District, Dr. Tonie McDonald has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Dr. Tonie McDonald has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Levittown Union Free School District is in direct correlation to the efforts of Dr. Tonie McDonald, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the school district and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Tonie McDonald has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent

of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Dr. Tonie McDonald, that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Tonie McDonald upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Education Partner Award by Nassau BOCES; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Tonie McDonald.