

BY: Senator BONACIC

HONORING Heidi Willins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES on April 26, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, to honor the achievements of its young citizens and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and accomplishments exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Heidi Willins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES which was celebrated at its Fifth Annual Awards Breakfast, on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at Kuhl's Highland House, Middletown, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award recognizes outstanding high school students for their accomplishments and/or performances in the arts, including fine arts, theater, and music; and

WHEREAS, Heidi Willins has distinguished herself as a young woman of superlative ability, talent, and maturity, establishing standards of excellence and achievement, purposefulness of life, and responsibility rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, A senior at George F. Baker High School in Tuxedo Park, New York, Heidi Willins will be attending Fairfield University in Connecticut in the fall; she plans on majoring in business then continuing her education in graduate school; she also plans on participating in the Glee Club and the A Cappella Club at the University; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Heidi Willins is Vice President of the National Honor Society, a Girl Scout Gold recipient, varsity volleyball co-captain, alto section leader, a member of Jazz Club and Salutatorian; and

WHEREAS, During her four years in high school, Heidi Willins has held lead roles in her school musicals as well as many performances including All-County Choir, Jazz All-County Choir and Honors Choir; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding role model for her classmates, Heidi Willins has brought honor to her family, school, and community; and

WHEREAS, Heidi Willins may stand with pride in her achievements, experiencing the satisfaction of her labors and the joy of her accomplishments, eager to face the challenge of new experiences as she continues her education; and

WHEREAS, Heidi Willins represents the potential inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; this Legislative Body is pleased to honor this young woman, recognizing her achievements and the promise of her future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Heidi Willins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Scholar Humanities Award by the Orange-Ulster BOCES, and to wish her well in her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Heidi Willins.