

**BY:** Senator BONACIC

**HONORING** Heidi Willins upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association as a 2018 Senior Scholar-Athlete

**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 for special recognition by the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association as a 2018 Senior Scholar-Athlete; this momentous occasion was celebrated with a Breakfast on Tuesday, May 22, 2018, at Kuhl's Highland House, Middletown, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Academically and athletically, 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 student at George F. Baker High School, Heidi Willins has a 95.64 GPA and has been named Salutatorian of her class; she is a member of the National Honor Society, and several musical groups including Jazz All-County Choir, All-County Choir, Honors Choir, Band, Jazz Club, and has been involved with the school's musicals; and

**WHEREAS,** Heidi Willins was the co-Captain of the Varsity Girls Volley Team and played a valuable role in the team capturing both the sectional and regional championships; for her steadfast and unrelenting commitment to her teammates, she was the recipient of the Leadership Award; and

**WHEREAS,** After graduating from high school, Heidi Willins plans to major in business at Fairfield University; and

**WHEREAS,** Dedicated to her community, Heidi Willins gives tirelessly of her time and energies volunteering for the Garden of Hope at Good Samaritan Hospital; 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 for special recognition by the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association as a 2018 Senior Scholar-Athlete, 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.