

BY: Senator JACOBS

HONORING Emily Kuhn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Kenny Award for Outstanding Actress in a Leading Role

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those young people who, by achieving outstanding success in the arts, have inspired and brought pride to our majestic 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 Emily Kuhn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Kenny Award for Outstanding Actress in a Leading Role; and

WHEREAS, This momentous occasion was celebrated at the 25th Anniversary Kenny Awards Ceremony and Kenny Day on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at Shea's Performing Arts Center, Buffalo, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Kenny Award was created in 1993, in honor of the late Dr. Ken Lipke, the founder of Gibraltar Steel; this prestigious award is a testament to his passion and dedication to the arts and his belief in the arts as an integral component of society; and

WHEREAS, Music study is most worthy of being encouraged and promoted, as it provides an opportunity for students to exhibit their skills to an audience, thereby giving them self-esteem to last a lifetime; and

WHEREAS, Emily Kuhn's depiction of Lucy in Tonawanda High School's presentation of **Jekyll & Hyde** garnered this gifted student a Kenny Award for Outstanding Actress in a Leading Role; and

WHEREAS, Emily Kuhn has distinguished herself as a young woman of superlative ability, establishing a high standard of excellence and purposefulness of life rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, In achieving this high honor, Emily Kuhn may take just pride in the inspiration and contribution to the spirit of excellence she brings to her family, friends, community and school; and

WHEREAS, Emily Kuhn exemplifies the best potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; she has brought enduring honor to her family and her community through her many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Emily Kuhn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2018 Kenny Award for Outstanding Actress in a Leading Role; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Emily Kuhn.