

Senate Resolution No. 1700

BY: Senator BIAGGI

HONORING Jada Robinson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2021 Junior Achievement New York Student of the Year Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have achieved outstanding educational success and serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jada Robinson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2021 Junior Achievement New York Student of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, Each year, Junior Achievement selects the Student of the Year from a pool of intelligent and talented candidates from New York City, Long Island, and the Lower Hudson Valley; Jada Robinson stood out in the selection process due to her vast accomplishments, leadership skills, and the community service spirit she exemplifies in everything she does; and

WHEREAS, Junior Achievement is proud to have a strong partnership with Mount Vernon High School in dedication to empowering young people to own their future economic success; and

WHEREAS, Junior Achievement's partnership with Mount Vernon has not only brought programs in financial literacy, workforce preparation, and entrepreneurship, it has also given students to develop the skills and confidence necessary for their successful futures; and

WHEREAS, Jada Robinson began her involvement with Junior Achievement through the High School Heroes program during her Sophomore year; High School Heroes is a program where students become "heroes" in the classroom, teaching Junior Achievement programs to elementary students in their district; and

WHEREAS, This extraordinary young lady excelled as a High School Hero in giving back to her community, and helped solidify the family bond within Mount Vernon schools; and

WHEREAS, Typically a program designated to high school juniors and seniors, Jada Robinson was chosen for early entrance because of her admirable dedication to helping younger students; since this time, she has steadfastly and consistently illustrated responsibility within the program; and

WHEREAS, Jada Robinson is an exemplary role model for the students of Mount Vernon and illustrates that individuals in small communities can make massive contributions and impacts to encourage growth and development in the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, she demonstrates exceptional leadership qualities and utilizes them not only through her Junior Achievement programs and in communications with her teammates on the Mount Vernon Girls Basketball team, but also to her broader peers in high school; and

WHEREAS, Jada Robinson is planning to continue her athletic career after high school and use what she has learned through Junior Achievement programming to excel in her continued education; she is hoping to pursue a career in sports therapy, combining her passion for sports and helping others; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, Jada Robinson now stands honorably, with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by her teachers, coaches and parents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jada Robinson upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2021 Junior Achievement New York Student of the Year Award, and extend to her its best wishes for a future of purposeful success and well-being, fully confident of her response to a promising future and appreciative of the model she represents for all aspiring young people of the Empire State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jada Robinson.