

BY: Senator MARTINS

CONGRATULATING John Cruz upon the occasion of being named the 2023 Youth of the Year by the Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate John Cruz upon the occasion of being named the 2023 Youth of the Year by the Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club, to be celebrated at its Club Donor Recognition Reception on Wednesday, April 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Each year since 1947, Boys & Girls Clubs of America has selected members for this honor who embody the values of leadership, community service, academic excellence and good character; John Cruz truly exemplifies those qualities; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Club since Kindergarten, John Cruz has greatly benefited from the Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club which has enabled him to reach his full potential as a productive, caring, responsible citizen; and

WHEREAS, John Cruz credits the Boys & Girls Club for helping him to prioritize his homework over play and for providing him a safe place to learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, As a longtime member and current Treasurer, John Cruz and his peers have been involved in numerous local projects which have made his community a better place to live, grow and work; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this fine young gentleman now stands honorably, with just pride in his accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by the Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club and his family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate John Cruz upon the occasion of being named the 2023 Youth of the Year by the Grenville Baker Boys & Girls Club; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John Cruz.