

**BY:** Senator KAPLAN

**COMMENDING** the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation upon the occasion of hosting its Leadership Awards Dinner on May 7, 2019

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation upon the occasion of hosting its Leadership Awards Dinner on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at Crest Hollow Country Club, Woodbury, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** The 2019 Leadership Awards Dinner will honor distinguished area citizens and College alumni who enrich the community in distinctive ways - economically, scientifically, culturally, intellectually and socially - and whose efforts, taken together, are helping to transform the Long Island Region; and

**WHEREAS,** Funds generated from the Leadership Awards Dinner are utilized by the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation to provide student scholarships, as well as support for academic enrichment programs and the many needs of the College not fully provided by the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Established in 1968, the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation, Inc., is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to assisting the State University of New York at Old Westbury in becoming the flagship arts and sciences college in the state system; and

**WHEREAS,** Directed by a board of distinguished business, civic and academic leaders, the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation strives to ensure that every person with a desire to succeed has the opportunity to obtain a college education; and

**WHEREAS,** Remaining true to its mission, the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation provides resources, develops relationships, creates additional awareness and offers guidance when appropriate to ensure continuous progress in the development of the College's academic programs, student life, and community relations; and

**WHEREAS,** Over its distinguished history, the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation has demonstrated continuous service to the students and communities which it serves; and

**WHEREAS,** The success of the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated Board of Trustees, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an

impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the students it serves; and

**WHEREAS,** This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation upon the occasion of hosting its Leadership Awards Dinner on May 7, 2019; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the SUNY Old Westbury College Foundation.