

Senate Resolution No. 1897

BY: Senator THOMAS

HONORING Jennifer Newins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2019 Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence on April 24, 2019

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jennifer Newins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2019 Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence celebrated at the **USA Today** and Phi Theta Kappa New York Academic Scholars Lunch Reception on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, at the Albany Capital Center, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence honors State University of New York students who have best demonstrated their integration of academic excellence with other aspects of their lives, which may include leadership, campus involvement, athletics, career achievement, community service or creative and performing arts; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1998, the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence is the highest student recognition in the State University of New York (SUNY) system; and

WHEREAS, The State University of New York is the largest comprehensive university system in the United States, educating more than 468,000 students in more than 7,500 degree and certificate programs on 64 campuses, with more than three million alumni around the globe; and

WHEREAS, Each campus establishes a selection committee, which reviews exemplary members of its college community who are graduating; nominees are then forwarded to the Chancellor's Office and are subject to a second round of review; finalists are then recommended to the Chancellor to become recipients of the Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence; and

WHEREAS, As recipient of this most prestigious award, Jennifer Newins, a fall graduate of Farmingdale State College, truly embodies the power of SUNY; and

WHEREAS, A proven leader and role model, this extraordinary young woman is being recognized not only for academic achievement, but also for the profound impact she has had on Farmingdale State College and the community-at-large; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Levittown, New York, Jennifer Newins earned her bachelor's degree in Medical Laboratory Technology with a remarkable

3.8 GPA; she was the recipient of the departmental Academic Excellence Award, and held several leadership roles in various student organizations; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Newins stands poised on the threshold of a broad and challenging world, a testament to the love and nurturing care of her family, friends and school; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to honor Jennifer Newins, a young woman and able scholar, recognizing the value of her labors and the promise of her future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jennifer Newins upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2019 Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence on April 24, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jennifer Newins.