

**BY:** Senator GAUGHRAN

**CONGRATULATING** Jared S. Bank upon the occasion of  
being named a National Merit Scholar

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, to honor the achievements of its young citizens and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and accomplishments exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Jared S. Bank upon the occasion of being named a National Merit Scholar on Wednesday, May 8, 2019; and

**WHEREAS,** The National Merit Scholarship Program, one of the most prestigious academic recognition programs in the Nation, was established in 1955, and recognizes through rigorous competitive examinations, those students across the country who demonstrate exceptional academic ability; and

**WHEREAS,** Jared S. Bank was one of 2,500 Merit Scholar designees chosen from a talent pool of more than 15,000 outstanding Finalists in the 2019 National Merit Scholarship Program; and

**WHEREAS,** After graduating from Half Hollow Hills High School East, Jared S. Bank plans to major in Physics; and

**WHEREAS,** Jared S. Bank, a superb student of singular distinction and superlative abilities, has established high standards of academic excellence and purposefulness of life rarely achieved in youthful years; and

**WHEREAS,** An outstanding role model for his classmates, Jared S. Bank has brought honor to his family, school, and community; he truly embodies diligence, motivation and tenacity, admirable qualities that will serve him well now and into the future; and

**WHEREAS,** Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this scholar 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 his teachers, coaches and parents; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Jared S. Bank upon the occasion of being named a National Merit Scholar; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jared S. Bank.