

BY: Senator KAPLAN

COMMENDING Valedictorian Saba Gulzar and Salutatorian Megha Gopal of New Hyde Park Memorial High School, in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments

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

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Valedictorian Saba Gulzar and Salutatorian Megha Gopal of New Hyde Park Memorial High School, in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Saba Gulzar, with a 103.23 GPA, studied skin grafting at Stony Brook University and learned about genetics and molecular biology at Columbia University; and

WHEREAS, As a junior, this remarkable scholar was the sole recipient of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award; and

WHEREAS, Megha Gopal, with a 103.02 GPA, took neuroscience classes at Columbia University, as well as probability and organic chemistry; she is also a National Merit Semifinalist; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional young woman attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine and received a Johns Hopkins Research Grant in which she used to conduct research on innovative ways to clean landfills; and

WHEREAS, Valedictorian Saba Gulzar and Salutatorian Megha Gopal represent the best of developed potential inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; their achievements have brought enduring honor to both their families and their communities and should be recognized and saluted; and

WHEREAS, Valedictorian Saba Gulzar and Salutatorian Megha Gopal may now stand with pride as they assess their achievements, experience the satisfaction of their labors and the joys of their accomplishments, eager to face the new experiences of a challenging world; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Class of Valedictorian Saba Gulzar and Salutatorian Megha Gopal of New Hyde Park Memorial High School, in recognition of their outstanding accomplishments; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Valedictorian Saba Gulzar and Salutatorian Megha Gopal.