

**BY:** Senator KAPLAN

**HONORING** Dr. Jennifer Morrison upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2020 Bright Light Award by ASSET on January 9, 2020

**WHEREAS,** Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are a resource beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Jennifer Morrison has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special distinction; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Jennifer Morrison upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2020 Bright Light Award by ASSET celebrated with a Luncheon on Thursday, January 9, 2020, at its Bright Lights Luncheon, Great River, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Each year, ASSET celebrates the accomplishments of educators, administrators and other district personnel who help integrate technology into the classroom, making it a smooth process as well as an excellent learning experience for students; Dr. Jennifer Morrison is one such individual; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Jennifer Morrison is the Superintendent of Schools for the New Hyde Park-Garden City Park Union Free School District; and

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Jennifer Morrison, with a true passion for her profession, worked tirelessly to integrate makerspaces and team teaching for the Library Media program; this dedicated woman also brought to the district more than 300 Chromebooks, with an additional 300 this school year, and offers iPads in every classroom; and

**WHEREAS,** Changing the Science Lab program to a STEAM/Coding program, Dr. Jennifer Morrison changed the way the district's Technology Committee operates; they now provide time to meet monthly and work with the technology director to create subcommittees on districtwide technology initiatives, keyboarding, Substitution Augmentation Modification Redefinition, software usage and requests, continual teacher surveys and more; and

**WHEREAS,** Bringing one of the teachers out of the classroom to become a technology integration specialist, Dr. Jennifer Morrison enabled this teacher to train and provide classroom teachers to incorporate technology in the classroom; and

**WHEREAS,** The success of New Hyde Park's School District is in direct correlation to the efforts of Dr. Jennifer Morrison, 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 school and the community it serves; and

**WHEREAS,** Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Jennifer Morrison has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Jennifer Morrison upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2020 Bright Light Award by ASSET, on January 9, 2020; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Jennifer Morrison.