Senate Resolution No. 1011

BY: Senator RHOADS

HONORING Aleksandra Julien upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2025 Citizenship Advancement Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people, within this great Empire State, who have made strong contributions to their communities and serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Aleksandra Julien, upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2025 Citizenship Advancement Award, to be recognized at a senior scholarship ceremony at Sanford H. Calhoun High School on Wednesday, May 28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Aleksandra Julien, committed to hard work, has achieved excellence in academics, community service, and extracurricular endeavors, justly earning this esteemed recognition; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Sanford H. Calhoun High School, Aleksandra Julien is a remarkable young woman whose high school experience has been defined by her growth, leadership, and unwavering commitment to making a difference; and

WHEREAS, As Vice President of both the Animal Advocates Club and the International Buddy Club, Aleksandra Julien has demonstrated exceptional leadership skills and an understanding of the importance of empathy and cultural exchange; and

WHEREAS, Aleksandra Julien's role as Social Media Manager for the Growth Mindset Club showcases her ability to inspire and engage her peers in meaningful dialogues about personal development and resilience; a testament to her compassionate nature, she has dedicated countless hours volunteering at the Merrick Library where she helps young children develop a love for reading and tutors them in various subjects; and

WHEREAS, Aleksandra Julien's initiative in organizing the Shelter Drive further highlights her organizational skills and her commitment to addressing community needs; through these experiences, she has cultivated a sense of responsibility and a deep-seated belief in the power of collective action; and

WHEREAS, Aleksandra Julien's summer job at a senior living facility exemplifies her adaptability and willingness to step outside her comfort zone; here, she embraced multiple roles, gaining invaluable insights into the challenges and joys of working with the elderly; her ability to connect with residents and staff alike speaks to her genuine kindness and her capacity to bridge generational gaps with grace; and

WHEREAS, To further her education, Aleksandra Julien plans to attend St. John's University, pursuing her law degree; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this respected scholar and distinguished member of her community now stands honorably with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of all her future endeavors and limitless opportunities; and

WHEREAS, It is of utmost importance 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Aleksandra Julien upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2025 Citizenship Advancement Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Aleksandra Julien.