

## 2023-J1729

Senate Resolution No. 1729

BY: Senator SEPULVEDA

COMMEMORATING the annual Merit Student event hosted by Fundacion Rica Inc. for over 20 years on August 31, 2023

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging organizations that demonstrate unwavering commitment to education and community service; and

WHEREAS, Fundacion Rica Inc., with a laudable history of philanthropy and community engagement, has recently established itself in New York as a nonprofit organization, thereby extending its reach and impact; and

WHEREAS, Fundacion Rica Inc. has been a crucial sponsor and supporter of educational excellence, as demonstrated by their sponsorship of the Merit Student event in New York, where the foundation, in collaboration with the Dominican Government and the Consul General Carlos A. Castillo, awarded medals of merit to 545 outstanding Dominican and Dominican-origin students in various states under the jurisdiction of the New York consulate; and

WHEREAS, This event, held annually at the Great Hall and Sheppard Hall at City College in Upper Manhattan, signifies Fundacion Rica's dedication to recognizing and encouraging academic achievement among young learners; and

WHEREAS, For over 20 years, Fundacion Rica Inc. has shown its commitment to student merit and educational advancement, a dedication that was highlighted during the event when Carlos Castillo presented a plaque to Carmen Patricia Brache and Wenceslao Soto of Fundacion Rica, acknowledging their continuous support and contributions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the annual Merit Student event hosted by Fundacion Rica Inc. for over 20 years on August 31, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Fundacion Rica Inc.