LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Cierrah Forte for her academic achievements and excellence

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Cierrah Forte for her academic achievements and excellence; and WHEREAS, Cierrah Forte is a Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School student who is graduating in June of 2011; she has been in STARS Helpers, an after school community service program, for four years as well as activities such as track and cheerleading; and WHEREAS, Diligent in her studies, Cierrah Forte has worked very hard and has been on the high school honor roll every year; and WHEREAS, Last year, Cierrah Forte was one of only four Capital District students selected to participate in Health Quest, a highly competitive program offered through the Hudson-Mohawk Area Health Education Center; she completed 180 hours of technical care associate paid summer training at St. Peter's Hospital and became certified; and WHEREAS, Cierrah Forte was one of only five Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk students selected to participate in the New Visions nursing program, a 12-student, 5 school honors program where she is earning 6 college credits from Sage College and gaining knowledge and experience in the health care field; and WHEREAS, This remarkable young woman has been accepted into the

competitive four-year nursing program at SUNY Plattsburgh for the Fall 2011 semester; and

WHEREAS, Cierrah Forte has been a leader and role model among her peers, showing them that post-secondary education is attainable if they work hard and pursue their dreams; and WHEREAS, With her sense of civic duty and her commitment to others, Cierrah Forte represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Cierrah Forte for her academic achievements and excellence; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Cierrah Forte.