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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Angelina Rose Dutcher upon the occasion of her designation by the Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern New York as one of its 2013 Winning Kids at its 25th Annual Confections in Chocolate Gala

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of organizations and individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Angelina Rose Dutcher upon the occasion of her designation by the Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern New York as one of its 2013 Winning Kids at its 25th Annual Confections in Chocolate Gala, to be held at Wolferts Roost Country Club in Albany, New York, on Saturday, March 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern New York works diligently to ensure that people with seizures are able to participate in all life experiences and to prevent, control and cure epilepsy through services, education, advocacy and research; and

WHEREAS, Each year the Epilepsy Foundation selects one or two children to represent all children with epilepsy in Northeastern New York;

"Winning Kids" symbolizes the spirit and courage that all children with epilepsy display in dealing with their seizures; Angelina Rose Dutcher was chosen because of the positive attitude that she maintains despite the many struggles and treatments she has endured to control her seizures, including surgery; and

WHEREAS, Angelina Rose Dutcher enjoys all sports and participates in

special soccer and baseball leagues; she is also training in the martial arts; and

WHEREAS, As residents of Northeastern New York face the physical, emotional and social uncertainties of epilepsy everyday, the Epilepsy Foundation is there to help them become happy, self-confident, productive adults, by offering them, as well as their friends, families and caregivers a variety of programs; and

WHEREAS, Epilepsy affects two percent of the population, and approximately one in fifty children; and

WHEREAS, Angelina Rose Dutcher, the daughter of Nolan Dutcher and Melissa Sangi, a ten year old student at the Windham-Ashland-Jewitt Elementary School, truly merits this high honor; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding role model, Angelina Rose Dutcher has brought honor to her family, school and community and may stand with pride in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to recognize Angelina Rose Dutcher as a Winning Kid and to wish her well in all her future endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Angelina Rose Dutcher upon the occasion of her designation by the Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern New York as one of its 2013 Winning Kids at its 25th Annual Confections in Chocolate Gala; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Angelina Rose Dutcher.