

## 2013-K694

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 10th Anniversary of the Thomas Reynolds Center for Special Education and After-School Programs, to be celebrated on June 21, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations committed to enhancing the quality of education in the State of New York, enabling our schools to set and meet standards for excellence in academic achievement for all students; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the Thomas Reynolds Center for Special Education and After-School Programs, to be celebrated on Friday, June 21, 2013, at the Daemen Center for Visual & Performing Arts, Daemen College, Amherst, New York; and

WHEREAS, During the celebration, the Thomas Reynolds Center for Special Education and After-School Programs will honor its namesake and benefactor, the Honorable Thomas M. Reynolds, and memorialize the late Dr. Patrick Hartwick for his service and dedication to the Center; and

WHEREAS, Founded at Daemen College in 2003 through federal funding, the Thomas Reynolds Center for Special Education and After-School Programs provides a rich learning and teaching environment where scientifically-based research methods are used to assist students at risk of academic failure, as well as students with learning disabilities attending schools in Buffalo and Amherst; and

WHEREAS, Over its luminous ten-year history, the Thomas Reynolds Center for Special Education and After-School Programs has not only provided invaluable service to the many young students who use the program, it also prepares graduate teacher candidates to use research-based learning strategies in their work with students, thereby enhancing

the capacity of school districts across this great Empire State; and  
WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to now record its  
recognition and appreciation in honoring this outstanding educational  
organization, whose decade-long dedication and accomplishments have been  
instrumental in empowering the most vulnerable students, and developing  
academic excellence across the spectrum of education; now, therefore, be  
it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to  
commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the Thomas Reynolds Center for  
Special Education and After-School Programs, and to wish it continued  
success in its laudable mission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-  
smitted to the Thomas Reynolds Center for Special Education and After-  
School Programs.