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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Herricks High School senior Sachit Singal upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Congressional Award Gold Medal

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who 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 commend Herricks High School senior Sachit Singal upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Congressional Award Gold Medal; he received this prestigious award on June 18, 2013, at a ceremony on Capitol Hill, in Washington, DC; and

WHEREAS, The Congressional Award is the United States Congress' award for young Americans; to earn this award, students must set and accomplish goals in four program areas: voluntary public service, personal development, physical fitness, and expedition/exploration; and

WHEREAS, Sachit Singal volunteered for hundreds of hours at North Shore-LIJ Hospital, organizing and performing at charitable music concerts, and raising funds for a facility in India that provides free boarding and lodging to more than 150 mentally and physically challenged children and adults; and

WHEREAS, For the personal development component of the award, Sachit Singal combined his passion for music and languages; he experimented with different genres of music while perfecting his skills as a viola player and a vocalist; and

WHEREAS, Sachit Singal accomplished the physical fitness portion of the award by studying foil fencing; to round out his ambitious program

and complete the expedition/exploration component, this determined young man chose to travel to India, where he studied the architectural influence of the Mughal Empire; and

WHEREAS, With his impressive ability to set and meet challenging goals and a high standard of accomplishment, Sachit Singal represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; and

WHEREAS, Sachit Singal, in receiving this distinguished honor, may take just pride in the inspiration and contribution to the spirit of excellence he brings to his family, friends, community and Herricks High School; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Herricks High School senior Sachit Singal upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Congressional Award Gold Medal; and to convey its best wishes for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sachit Singal.