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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Thomas O'Connell upon the occasion of receiving a 2014 Scholarship Award from the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor the young adults 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 Thomas O'Connell upon the occasion of receiving a 2014 Scholarship Award from the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Thomas O'Connell is the senior class Vice-President at Newburgh Free Academy; he is a member of the National Honor Society, an avid skier and snowboarder, Eagle Scout and a volunteer Firefighter for the Cronomer Valley Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, With the goal of becoming a New York State Trooper and ultimately an FBI Agent, Thomas O'Connell plans to attend the Rochester Institute of Technology to major in Criminal Justice; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his high school career, Thomas O'Connell has displayed exceptional academic achievement, a strong sense of community responsibility, and a commitment to excellence which is unparalleled; and

WHEREAS, Thomas O'Connell, in achieving this academic honor, may take just pride in the inspiration and contribution to the spirit of excellence he brings to his family, friends, community and school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

commend Thomas O'Connell upon the occasion of receiving a 2014 Scholarship Award from the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., and to extend to him 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 Thomas O'Connell.