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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Willie M. Dean, Jr., upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a President's Award by the Capital District YMCA

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging its esteemed residents who have distinguished themselves in their community; and

WHEREAS, Willie M. Dean, Jr. will be honored by the Capital District YMCA with its President's Award during a dinner at the Albany Marriott on April 22, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Willie was selected for this prestigious honor by the Schenectady YMCA; and

WHEREAS, He earned a bachelors degree in engineering at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, and a masters in Industrial Management from Union College; and

WHEREAS, Willie served his country with honor for two years in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, He enjoyed a successful 40-year civilian career with General Electric (GE), including its Manufacturing Management Program, Instrument Department, Motor and Locomotive Department, and Overseas Business; and

WHEREAS, Willie utilized YMCA residences early in his training and career; and

WHEREAS, He earned 19 GE Merit and Management Awards, including recognition for his public speaking, before leaving GE in 1997; and WHEREAS, Willie then began a 10-year tenure with Fort Wayne Industrial Systems; and

WHEREAS, He returned to Schenectady in 2007, and is currently President and CEO of Assured Systems Kompliance, Inc. and Business Manager

for his son's company, Ain't No Competition, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Willie has been active with the GE Elfun Society and several other professional organizations, including the Opportunity Industrialization Center, where he taught math to those who were not, for various reasons, in a public or private school; and

WHEREAS, He is also renowned for his talent as a blues singer and musician; and

WHEREAS, Willie and his wife, Sue, are the proud parents of three sons and the loving grandparents of several grandchildren; and WHEREAS, He has exhibited the true spirit of this prestigious award through his contributions to the community and impressive professional success; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Willie M. Dean, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a President's Award by the Capital District YMCA; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Willie M. Dean, Jr.