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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Nellie Morton upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Third Age Achievement Award in Education by Senior Services of Albany

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities, are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Nellie Morton has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Nellie Morton upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Third Age Achievement Award in Education by Senior Services of Albany, to be celebrated at its 18th Annual Third Age Achievement Awards luncheon on Friday, May 2, 2014, at Wolfert's Roost Country Club, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Albany, New York, resident Nellie Morton is a fearless education advocate who works assiduously for the educational needs of children and adults in the community, especially in the area of literacy; and

WHEREAS, Nellie Morton has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Following her retirement in 2005 after working 40 years for the State of New York, Nellie Morton dedicated herself to making a difference; as a member of the Trinity Alliance Board of Directors, she has been the visionary behind the organization's Capital South Campus Center, and The Literacy Zone at the center, which will provide literacy, English proficiency, and academic achievement services to adults;

and

WHEREAS, In addition, for 18 years Nellie Morton has volunteered at the Junior Achievement Program in Albany Schools; this energetic woman also teaches Sunday School and Vacation Bible School at Union Missionary Baptist Church, and dances with Trinity Alliance's "Dancing With Our Elders Program"; and

WHEREAS, Nellie Morton was married to the late Morris Morton, Sr. for 53 years, and has been accompanied throughout by her children and grand-children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Nellie Morton has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Nellie Morton has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Nellie Morton upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Third Age Achievement Award in Education by Senior Services of Albany; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nellie Morton.