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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Donald A. Ogilvie upon the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of the Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services, after 43 years of distinguished service in public education

WHEREAS, New York State's commitment to education is unparalleled; its history and stature are secured by the superlative caliber of its educational professionals and the students they inspire; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of those outstanding educational leaders, whose dedication and achievements have been instrumental in developing character and academic excellence in the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Donald A. Ogilvie upon the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of the Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services, after 43 years of distinguished service in public education, to be celebrated with a Retirement Party in his honor on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at Acqua Restaurant, Buffalo, New York; and

WHEREAS, Donald A. Ogilvie has served as the District Superintendent of the Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services (Erie 1 BOCES) for the past 17 years where he is responsible for providing a variety of instructional, managerial and technological services to 19 school districts in Erie County; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Donald A. Ogilvie is also the field representative of the New York State Commissioner of Education to those 19 Erie County School Districts, as well as to the Buffalo Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Prior to becoming District Superintendent of Erie 1 BOCES, Donald A. Ogilvie served for eight years as Superintendent of the Hamburg Central School District; he has also served as Superintendent of both the Southwestern Central School District and the Chadwicks Union Free School District; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Donald A. Ogilvie was a building Principal in the Kenmore-Town of Tonawanda School District and began his illustrious career as a classroom teacher and team leader in the Williamsville Central School District; and

WHEREAS, Donald A. Ogilvie holds a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Education from Buffalo State College, and a Certificate of Advanced Study in Educational Administration from the University at Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, Active within his community, Donald A. Ogilvie is currently Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Buffalo Philanthropic Orchestra Society, a Trustee of WNY Public Broadcasting-WNED, a Trustee of Hilbert College and a Trustee of the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Donald A. Ogilvie is a member of the Vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral, the Buffalo State College President's Community Advisory Board, the Rotary Club of Buffalo and Leadership Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, Educators like Donald A. Ogilvie provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of young people in their educational journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

WHEREAS, Donald A. Ogilvie has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of the Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services, as well

as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who work to support our proud tradition of

public education by providing their skills and talents to our schools;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Donald A. Ogilvie upon the occasion of his retirement as Superintendent of the Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services, after 43 years of distinguished service in public education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Donald A. Ogilvie.