

## 2013-J4785

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Emily Stento upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Student Award by the Capital District YMCA Guilderland and Bethlehem branches

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, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Emily Stento upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Student Award by the Capital District YMCA Guilderland and Bethlehem branches to be celebrated at its 17th Annual Outstanding Student and Educator ceremony on Tuesday, April 29, 2014, at the Appel Inn in Altamont, New York; and

WHEREAS, A junior at Bethlehem Central High School, Emily Stento, during the summer months, is a junior counselor at the YMCA's Camp Chingachok on Lake George, New York; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her work within the Capital District YMCA, Emily Stento is heavily involved in her community through her Girl Scouts of America Troop, and the St. Thomas Parish; and

WHEREAS, Through these organizations, Emily Stento has volunteered for numerous organizations including: FARE Allergy Awareness Organization, The Ronald McDonald House, Uncle Shaw's Hugs, Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, Hudson Mohawk Humane Society, St. John's/St. Anne's Outreach Center, and the Northeastern Regional Food Bank; and

WHEREAS, Along with her many volunteer efforts, Emily Stento is active

with the Bethlehem Youth Court as a juror for young adults who have been accused of committing crimes in the Town of Bethlehem; she is also a tutor/mentor at Eagle Elementary School through the Jump Start reading Program; and

WHEREAS, Emily Stento was named captain of her Junior Varsity field hockey team, and is a member of the Bethlehem High School Orchestra; and

WHEREAS, With her sense of civic duty and her commitment to others, Emily Stento represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; and

WHEREAS, This occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to wish Emily Stento continued success throughout her school years and beyond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Emily Stento upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Student Award by the Capital District YMCA Guilderland and Bethlehem branches; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Emily Stento.