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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the New York State JCI Senate

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the New York State JCI Senate; this milestone anniversary will be celebrated on Friday, May 16, 2014, at a buffet reception held at the New York State Jaycees First Session Convention in East Syracuse, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Junior Chamber of Commerce is an organization of young adults, ages 18 to 40, who develop their leadership skills through community projects; formed in 1920 in St. Louis, Missouri, the organization has since become known as Junior Chamber International (JCI) as it has grown to include chapters throughout the nation and the world; and WHEREAS, The JCI Senate was established in 1952 to preserve the connection between Jaycees who had aged-out of the organization and its still active members; conferring lifetime membership in the JCI, a JCI Senatorship is the highest honor which can be bestowed upon a current or past member by Junior Chamber International, and recognizes those individuals who have given exceptional service to the organization and the community-at-large; since its inception, more than 72,000 Jaycees world-wide have been honored as JCI Senators; and

WHEREAS, In 1964, the New York State JCI Senate was formed, establishing a network of similarly-honored individuals, as well as opportunities

for them to support the efforts of Jaycees and chapters throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, Over the 50 years of its existence, this esteemed organization has welcomed more than 1,200 new Senators united in a bond of friendship and purpose, and embodying the values of faith, fellowship, and service to humanity; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the New York State JCI Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the New York State JCI Senate.