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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Yessica Escobar upon the occasion of her designation as the recipient of the 2014 Outstanding Student Narrative Award by the Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education on June 12, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary pursuit of education as adults; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Yessica Escobar upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2014 Outstanding Student Narrative Award by the Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education, to be celebrated at its Awards Dinner on Thursday, June 12, 2014, at The Watermill Restaurant, Smithtown, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Suffolk Association for Continuing Community Education (SACCE) was founded to promote lifelong learning opportunities for adults within Suffolk County and beyond the county's borders; its purpose is to advance adult education as a vital factor in adult growth, development and fulfillment; and

WHEREAS, Through the sharing of resources and ideas with colleagues in the Nassau Association, and under the umbrella of the New York State Association, SACCE strives to increase the recognition of and respect for continuing community education and its professionals; in addition, it is the goal of the organization to exercise leadership in the advocacy of adult community and continuing education at the local, state and national levels; and

WHEREAS, Yessica Escobar came to the United States after two years of college at the University of El Salvador; her grasp of the English

language in just one and a half years at The Opening Word, a literacy program which teaches the English language to immigrant women, is exceptional; in addition, she has successfully completed all of her classes; and

WHEREAS, With a plan to continue her education and pursue her dream of becoming a nurse, Yessica Escobar currently works in several part-time positions to support herself; she has also taken a course in Business Skills and received a scholarship through BOCES; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, soon after she began her course, Yessica Escobar was hired part time as a receptionist in a dentist office; within a short time, the doctor saw her ability to learn quickly and began training her to work with insurance forms, as well as to provide support as a translator for both Middle Eastern and Hispanic patients; and

WHEREAS, Appreciated for her bright personality and eagerness to learn, Yessica Escobar then began training in patient x-rays, as well as the naming and use of dental tools, allowing her to assist the dentist with direct patient care; and

WHEREAS, Yessica Escobar continues to be an inspiration to everyone who knows her, and has made many of her dreams, by moving to America, come true; and

WHEREAS, Yessica Escobar may now stand with just pride in assessing her achievements, experiencing the satisfaction of her labors and the joy of her accomplishments, eager to face the challenge of new ventures; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Yessica Escobar upon the occasion of her designation as the recipient of the 2014 Outstanding Student Narrative Award by the Suffolk

Association for Continuing Community Education on June 12, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Yessica Escobar.