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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Green Tech High Charter School

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 longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Green Tech High Charter School; he will be honored at its First Annual Green Tech High Honors the Community Banquet on Friday, June 13, 2014, at UAlbany, SUNY, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. has been the pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church of Albany for more than 26 years; this distinguished man of God has, through his leadership and example, made tremendous contributions to the well-being and education of the youth in his community; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. implemented a community-wide mentoring program for students who need academic support, and oversaw the establishment of the Macedonia Scholarship Fund, which provides financial assistance to the church's aspiring college students as well as well as students from the Greater Capital District; in addition, he developed a faith-based, cultural/social enrichment Rites of Passage program for youth; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable

endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Retired as Coordinator of Ministerial Services for the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, he served as a board member of the Whitney M. Young Health Center, and has held key leadership positions in multiple ministry associations and organizations; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. 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 Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr. upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Green Tech High Charter School; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Reverend Leonard D. Comithier, Jr.