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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the University in the High School Program, College of Arts and Sciences, University at Albany, upon the occasion of being selected to receive the 2014 University at Albany President's Award for Exemplary Community Engagement on April 25, 2014

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 honor the University in the High School Program, College of Arts and Sciences, University at Albany, in partnership with over 200 participating New York secondary schools, upon the occasion of being selected to receive the 2014 University at Albany President's Award for Exemplary Community Engagement, which was celebrated at an Award Ceremony at the University at Albany, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed award honors University at Albany-community partnerships which are enhancing public well-being in the Capital Region and beyond; their community engagement is a collaboration between higher education institutions and external partners in the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources to address areas of public need; and

WHEREAS, Since 1983, the University in the High School Program has provided a valued community-engaged service, partnering with high schools in and beyond New York State to give their students the opportunity to earn University at Albany course credits; and

WHEREAS, As a bridging experience to college, the University in the High School Program's courses help students develop the skills and expe-

rience necessary for academic success in higher education; and
WHEREAS, The University in the High School Program staff and faculty liaisons work with teachers, principals, and counselors to ensure that these courses match the rigor of their campus counterparts; and
WHEREAS, Through the University in the High School Program, students can also participate in the Science Research Program which cultivates students as future researchers, and operates in three states; and
WHEREAS, Additionally, the reduced course fees for the University in the High School Program make earning college credit more affordable for students and their families; and
WHEREAS, From its initial offerings in foreign languages, the University in the High School Program has expanded to over 30 subject areas spanning 23 academic departments at the University at Albany; and
WHEREAS, In 2012 to 2013, the University in the High School Program offered over 1,000 classes in more than 200 high schools, and over 8,000 students were involved, as well as almost 550 participating teachers; and
WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the University in the High School Program, College of Arts and Sciences, University at Albany, upon the occasion of being selected to receive the 2014 University at Albany President's Award for Exemplary Community Engagement on April 25, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the University in the High School Program, College of Arts and Sciences, University at Albany.