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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Timothy Zeszutek upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing tradition, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Timothy Zeszutek upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence; and

WHEREAS, Faculty and staff who receive the Chancellor's Award for Excellence have served their students, fellow faculty and staff, campuses, and communities with the utmost distinction, and have demonstrated extraordinary dedication and service to SUNY Orange; Timothy Zeszutek is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, In Fall of 2009, Timothy Zeszutek, professor of criminal justice, joined the full-time faculty at SUNY Orange, having previously served as an adjunct instructor teaching criminalistics; and

WHEREAS, Teaching primarily at SUNY Orange's Newburgh campus, Timothy Zeszutek instructs nearly all of the criminal justice students enrolled in the degree program, and serves as advisor to the criminal justice student club; and

WHEREAS, Prior to joining the College's faculty ranks full-time, Timothy Zeszutek completed more than 20 years of service with the New York State Police; he rose through the ranks from trooper to investigator, and was later promoted to the rank of sergeant; and

WHEREAS, For the last 12 years, Timothy Zeszutek was assigned as a

crime scene investigator with a forensic investigations unit; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Zeszutek holds many certifications from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, and the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Timothy Zeszutek has provided expert witness testimony in both criminal and civil cases, and possesses extensive knowledge and certifications in investigations involving terrorism, weapons of mass destruction, and clandestine drug laboratories; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Timothy Zeszutek has instructed various courses to local police, and has instructed at both the Orange County and New York State police academies; and

WHEREAS, Following his service in the United States Marine Corps., Timothy Zeszutek obtained his associate's degree in social science from SUNY Orange, a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice from Mercy College, and a master's degree in public administration from Marist College; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of individuals such as Timothy Zeszutek, who, by providing their skills and talents to our schools, work to support our proud tradition of public education; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Zeszutek has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of SUNY Orange, as well as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Timothy Zeszutek upon the occasion of his designation as recipient

of the 2014 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Teaching Excellence; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Timothy Zeszutek.