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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jack J. Boak upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years in the education field

WHEREAS, New York State's commitment to education is unparalleled; its history and stature are secured by the superlative caliber of its educational professionals and the students they inspire; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of those outstanding educational leaders, whose dedication and achievements have been instrumental in developing character and academic excellence in the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jack J. Boak upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 40 years of dedicated service in education; and

WHEREAS, Jack J. Boak began his career in education at the Holland Patent Central School District in Oneida County as a high school English teacher; and

WHEREAS, In 1983, Jack J. Boak entered the school administration phase of his career when he began working for Jefferson-Lewis BOCES as assistant superintendent for programs and clerk of the board; and WHEREAS, Jack J. Boak became deputy superintendent of Jefferson-Lewis BOCES in 2001, and was selected to lead the organization as district superintendent in 2003; and

WHEREAS, He served simultaneously for one year as interim superintendent of St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, as well as one year as superintendent of Oswego County BOCES; and

WHEREAS, In his multiple leadership roles, Jack J. Boak not only worked to improve learning opportunities for and make a difference in

the lives of students, he also served as a mentor to those who were just beginning their careers in the educational field; and WHEREAS, Jack J. Boak is also dedicated to civic engagement; he has been an active member of the North Country community, serving on the boards of the Greater Watertown-North Country Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Seaway Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Seaway Trail Foundation and the Jefferson County Historical Society; and WHEREAS, Educators like Jack J. Boak provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of young people in their educational journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who work to support our proud tradition of public education by providing their skills and talents to our schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jack J. Boak upon the occasion of his retirement after more than four decades of dedicated service in the field of education, and for his significant contributions to education in New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jack J. Boak.