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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Eugene D. Nesin posthumously upon the occasion of his induction into the Monticello Central School District
Hall of Distinction on November 2, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors and community service were an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Eugene D. Nesin posthumously upon the occasion of his induction into the Monticello Central School District Hall of Distinction, to be celebrated at its 2nd Annual Induction Ceremony on Sunday, November 2, 2014, at the Arnold Packer Hughes Auditorium, Monticello High School, Monticello, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Hall of Distinction was established in 2012 by the Board of Education to honor highly successful graduates, former students and former employees who have achieved distinction, outstanding accomplishment, or have made a significant contribution within their school, family, career, community and/or personal life; and

WHEREAS, A Monticello School District Board of Education Member from 1976 to 2009, Eugene D. Nesin believed all children had the right to the best education possible, while pursuing their interests in athletics, arts or academics; and

WHEREAS, A steadfast advocate for the Monticello School District and the community at large, Eugene Nesin regarded all children equal and deserving of a quality education regardless of their income, religion or race; and

WHEREAS, Eugene D. Nesin devoted both his public and private life to

young people; working tirelessly to address their educational needs, this exemplary man contributed hundreds of hours on behalf of the local youth; and

WHEREAS, Faithfully serving the entire school community with integrity, The Eugene D. Nesin Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in Music was established in his name to support young artists; to date, 12 full scholarships have been awarded to Monticello High School graduating seniors, as well as several hundred partial scholarships to students in kindergarten through grade 11 for summer programs and music lessons; and WHEREAS, In addition, the theater on St. John Street in Monticello was dedicated as the Eugene D. Nesin Theatre for the Performing Arts in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Eugene D. Nesin was a well-respected businessman, and served the Monticello Central School District with distinction for more than three decades; and

WHEREAS, An avid volunteer, Eugene D. Nesin gave of his time and energies to such community service organizations as Monticello Kiwanis and the National Ski Patrol at Holiday Mountain; he also served as a past Councilman for the Town of Thompson; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Eugene D. Nesin displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that those who enhanced the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Eugene D. Nesin posthumously upon the occasion of his induction into the Monticello Central School District Hall of Distinction on November 2, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Eugene D. Nesin.