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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jeniffer Ortiz upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Scholarship Award by the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor the young adults of today and leaders of tomorrow whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jeniffer Ortiz upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Scholarship Award by the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, This momentous occasion will be celebrated at the 17th Annual Tuition Assistance Awards Celebration on Saturday, February 7, 2015, at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, New York; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Newburgh Free Academy (NFA), Jeniffer Ortiz came to the United States from Colombia at the age of 15, and not only quickly learned English, but became fascinated with Asian languages; on her own, she has studied Korean, Japanese, Chinese and Thai; and WHEREAS, Jeniffer Ortiz is a member of the Bilingual Honor Society and the Puerto Rican Hispanic Youth Leadership Institute at NFA; she plans to study international relations and diplomacy with a minor in languages, with the hopes to become a diplomat and ultimately achieve a position at the United Nations; and

WHEREAS, Active within her community, Jeniffer Ortiz has participated in a number of local volunteer projects such as breast cancer and animal shelter walks, as well as volunteer functions at the Temple Hill Middle School; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her high school career, Jeniffer Ortiz has displayed exceptional academic achievement, a strong sense of community responsibility, and a commitment to excellence which is unparalleled; and

WHEREAS, Jeniffer Ortiz, in achieving this academic honor, may take just pride in the inspiration and contribution to the spirit of excellence she brings to her family, friends, community and school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jeniffer Ortiz upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Scholarship Award by the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., and to extend her best wishes for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jeniffer Ortiz.