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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Munsey Park Elementary School upon the occasion of its designation as a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the United States Department of Education

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those institutions of true purpose and high achievement whose exemplary programs and accomplishments clearly demonstrate an enduring pursuit of excellence in the education of the youth of the Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Munsey Park Elementary School upon the occasion of its designation as a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the United States Department of Education, celebrated on November 10-11, 2014, at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Designation as a Blue Ribbon School by the United States

Department of Education is indicative of high level school standards set
in pursuit of excellence; and

WHEREAS, As a Blue Ribbon School, Munsey Park Elementary School has been judged to be particularly effective in meeting local, State, and national educational goals; it has also displayed the qualities of excellence necessary to prepare young people for the challenges of the 21st Century; and

WHEREAS, Schools such as Munsey Park Elementary School of Manhasset, New York, demonstrate that with effort and dedication, schools and classrooms can be great places where students engage in the kinds of complex and creative thinking necessary in a global economy; and WHEREAS, By empowering every child to become lifelong learners and engaged citizens, Munsey Park Elementary School and its faculty are

creating leaders of tomorrow, and their example is a powerful inspiration to other educators: and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of its Principal, Dr. Jean Kendall, Munsey Park Elementary School embodies a palpable, warm, and supportive learning environment; its commitment to a focus on learning and tradition of excellence is continuous; and

WHEREAS, Blue Ribbon School status is awarded to schools which have demonstrated strong leadership; a clear vision and sense of mission that is shared by all connected with the school; high quality teaching; a challenging, up-to-date curriculum; policies and practices that ensure a safe environment conducive to learning; a solid commitment to parental involvement; and evidence that the school helps all students achieve high standards; and

WHEREAS, Munsey Park Elementary School has continually demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of educational programs and opportunities offered for the benefit of its faculty and students as well as for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, The National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence Award stands as a resolute testimony to Munsey Park Elementary School's standards of excellence, its uncompromising values, unparalleled dedication, and the special teamwork of its family of students, parents, teachers and administrators, who share common goals and uncommon expectations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Munsey Park Elementary School upon the occasion of its designation as a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the United States Department of Education, noting the significance of its accomplishment

and recognizing the role such effective schools play in shaping the quality of life in their community, State and Nation; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Dr. Jean Kendall, Principal, Munsey Park Elementary School, Manhasset, New York.