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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Brenda Holyoke upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Head Start Distinguished Service Award by the Capital District Child Care Council on April 22, 2015

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 traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Brenda Holyoke upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Head Start Distinguished Service Award by the Capital District Child Care Council to be celebrated at its Semi-Annual Meeting and Head Start 50th Anniversary Celebration on Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at Wolfert's Roost Country Club, in Albany, New York; and WHEREAS, In 1988, Brenda Holyoke enrolled her daughter into the CEO Head Start program located in Troy, New York; during this year, she volunteered her time and energies in the classroom, recognizing her beloved passion for working with children; and WHEREAS, After completing her GED, in October of 1990, Brenda Holyoke

accepted a position at the CEO Head Start program serving as a substitute, and was quickly promoted to a teacher assistant; and WHEREAS, Brenda Holyoke went on to enroll in college courses offered by the CEO Head Start program, graduating with an AAS in Early Childhood; while completing her schooling, she served as a teacher for the program; and

WHEREAS, Rising through the ranks, Brenda Holyoke moved into administration of the Head Start program, serving as Center Manager before

accepting the position of Enrollment Manager for CEO Head Start and Early Head Start, which she currently holds today; and WHEREAS, In addition, Brenda Holyoke collaborates with numerous school districts to enroll the CEO Head Start Universal Pre-K program; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals in the teaching profession who distinguish themselves in their dedication and commitment to their students; and WHEREAS, Brenda Holyoke has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of CEO Head Start, as well as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for her impressive dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her career thus far, Brenda Holyoke has brought an uncompromising standard of excellence to her work and a warm sense of caring and concern to every young person she educates; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Brenda Holyoke upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2015 Head Start Distinguished Service Award by the Capital District Child Care Council on April 22, 2015; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brenda Holyoke.