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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Arnett Branch Library upon the occasion of its designation as the 2015 Public Library of the Year by the Rochester Regional Library Council

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across the great State of New York is reflective of certain exemplary institutions whose purpose is dedicated to serving the community and the needs of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Arnett Branch Library upon the occasion of its designation as the 2015 Public Library of the Year by the Rochester Regional Library Council, to be celebrated at its Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 4, 2015, at Casa Larga, Fairport, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Rochester Regional Library Council (RRLC) is a multi-type library network serving libraries and library systems in the five-county Rochester region of Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Wayne and Wyoming counties; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the RRLC recognizes outstanding libraries which have provided exceptional service to their communities; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Monroe County Library System, the Arnett Branch Library has been a focal point for the Nineteenth Ward, with its 20,000 plus population in the Southwest Sector of Rochester, since it was built in 1973; and

WHEREAS, With an atmosphere of caring, the Arnett Branch Library is truly a neighborhood library; this vital institution provides such activities as story time, homework help, Lego club, a teen center, live music events, computer resources and literacy volunteers, as well as

books, reference help, DVDs and music; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the community room is the site of association meetings, writers groups, tutoring services, spelling bee preparation and other activities and opportunities for residents of all ages; and

WHEREAS, A true oasis of learning, civility, technology, resources, music, art, culture, recreation and education, the Arnett Branch Library is an integral part of the heart of this urban community, making a conscientious effort to meet the needs of the diverse citizens and young people in the ward; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Arnett Branch Library is in direct correlation to the efforts of its staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of this institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when an institution of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention, it should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Arnett Branch Library upon the occasion of its designation as the 2015 Public Library of the Year by the Rochester Regional Library Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Arnett Branch Library, Rochester, New York.