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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Destini McMillan upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2016 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 Destini McMillan upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2016 Scholarship Award by the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, This momentous occasion will be celebrated at the 18th Annual Tuition Assistance Program on Saturday, February 6, 2016, at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, New York; and

WHEREAS, Destini McMillan is a student at Newburgh Free Academy (NFA) where she is a member of the varsity lacrosse team, is active in five school clubs, and was chosen to be a member of the Newburgh School District's Student Diversity Team; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this extraordinary young woman is the president of a young women's group which supports increased community involvement by young African-American women, and interns for a Newburgh councilwoman as a champion of the rights of the area's young people; and WHEREAS, Destini McMillan was also accepted into the NFA NetSci Program, a collaborative science-research project involving students from West Point, Boston University and Newburgh Free Academy; and WHEREAS, Having experienced the loss of her god-sister to leukemia, Destini McMillan plans to attend Johns Hopkins University where she will

major in pre-med biology with the goal of becoming a pediatric oncologist; and

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

WHEREAS, Destini McMillan 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 Destini McMillan upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the 2016 Scholarship Award by the Major General Irene Trowell-Harris Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., and to extend to 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 Destini McMillan.