

## 2015-J3686

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Town of Babylon, New York, upon the occasion of hosting its 28th Annual Black History Month Program and paying tribute to this year's honorees

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize important events which remind us of the rich and diverse heritage of our great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Town of Babylon, New York, upon the occasion of hosting its 28th Annual Black History Month Program and to pay tribute to this year's honorees on Saturday, February 20, 2016, at the Amityville Memorial High School, Amityville, New York; and

WHEREAS, In following with the National Black History Month Program Theme of "Hallowed Ground; Sites of African American Memory", the program will consist of entertainment by local art groups and remarks from Town of Babylon officials; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Town of Babylon will honor many outstanding individuals who have greatly contributed to the betterment of the community which they so ably serve; and

WHEREAS, This year's distinguished honorees include Regina Arvon, a Retired Probation Officer; Rosemarie Dearing, Community Organizer; Richelieu Dennis, Founder and CEO of Sundial Brands; DuWayne Gregory, Presiding Officer and Legislator, 15th District, Nathan and Darlene Jackson, Community Activists, and Gina Talbert, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Wyandanch Union Free School District; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are

brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized 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 Town of Babylon, New York, upon the occasion of hosting its 28th Annual Black History Month Program and to pay tribute to this year's honorees, and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Town of Babylon and the aforementioned honorees.