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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Cole Faller upon the occasion of being named a 2016 New York Top Volunteer in the 21st Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and nation; and WHEREAS, Cole Faller has distinguished himself as a young man of superlative ability, establishing a high standard of community service, purposefulness of life, and sense of responsibility rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, created in 1995 by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), are designed to emphasize the importance our nation places on service to others, and to encourage all young Americans to contribute to their communities; and WHEREAS, Cole Faller, an esteemed resident of Roslyn Heights, New York, and a seventh grade student at Roslyn Middle School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2016 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Cole Faller earned this award by giving generously of his time and energy to help start an annual community-wide flag football event that has raised significant funds over the past three years to support individuals with autism; and

WHEREAS, The success of the State of New York, the strength of our

communities, and the vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Cole Faller, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Cole Faller, commending him for his outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community service, recognizing the value of his labors and the promise of his future; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations, with praise and pride, to commend Cole Faller for his achievements and to extend to him the best wishes of this Legislative Body 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 Cole Faller.