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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Nicholas Montoro upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Florence Cohen Memorial Youth Award by the American Red Cross, Greater New York Region

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to call attention to the dedicated efforts of those individuals from across the State of New York who volunteer their time and energies in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Nicholas Montoro upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Florence Cohen Memorial Youth Award by the American Red Cross, Greater New York Region; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism is an essential element of all societies; it provides a way in which the human values of community, caring and serving can be sustained and strengthened; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Montoro, a Syosset High School senior with a penchant for volunteerism, was recognized with this prestigious award for exemplifying the true nature of volunteerism; he was officially honored in March of 2016, at a Red Cross Recognition event held at Crest Hollow Country Club, in Woodbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, A Long Island Red Cross youth member, Nicholas Montoro credits his father, Salvatore, both for inspiring him to volunteer with the Red Cross when he was in the 8th grade and for his efforts since then; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Montoro and his father have helped many families in need, especially after Superstorm Sandy in October of 2012; together they worked to organize shelters for local families whose homes were damaged including many who gathered at Nassau Memorial Veterans Coliseum

to have a warm place to stay and a roof over their heads; and WHEREAS, This remarkable young man is also a member of the Syosset High School's Italian Club as well as the Interact Club; and WHEREAS, Volunteerism promotes family and community solidarity; most importantly, people who volunteer their time in civic and charitable endeavors inspire others to the call of volunteerism; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Nicholas Montoro upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Florence Cohen Memorial Youth Award by the American Red Cross, Greater New York Region; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nicholas Montoro.