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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Sarah Schreiber upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Elsie Jepson Memorial Award by the Ken-Ton Friends of Youth Foundation on April 20, 2016

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 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 Sarah Schreiber upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Elsie Jepson Memorial Award by the Ken-Ton Friends of Youth Foundation, celebrated at its 18th Annual Shining Stars Awards Dinner on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, at the Buffalo Yacht Club, Buffalo, New York; and WHEREAS, The Ken-Ton Friends of Youth Foundation is a not-for-profit organization formed in 1997, to provide financial support for youth programs and projects in the Town of Tonawanda and Village of Kenmore; this vital Foundation collaborates with other community agencies, schools, businesses, and service organizations, which share the common vision of providing increased opportunities for youth; and WHEREAS, The Elsie Jepson Memorial Award, sponsored by the Zonta Club of Kenmore, is given to a young person from the Ken-Ton area who will graduate or acquire their GED by June of 2016, and who is continuing their education or is an individual going to school for Special Education training; and

WHEREAS, The Elsie Jepson Scholarship Award was established in March of 2004, to honor the memory and spirit of Elsie Jepson, Ken-Ton Schools Pupil Services Administrator for over 52 years and a tireless champion for children's rights, especially those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the value of her labors and the promise of her future, the Ken-Ton Friends of Youth Foundation is proud to bestow this auspicious award upon Sarah Schreiber; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Kenmore West High School, Sarah Schreiber plans to attend Buffalo State College to pursue a teaching career; and WHEREAS, With her sense of civic duty and her commitment to others, Sarah Schreiber represents the best development of the potential which is inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; and WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this scholar now stands honorably, with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by her teachers and parents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Sarah Schreiber upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Elsie Jepson Memorial Award by the Ken-Ton Friends of Youth Foundation on April 20, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sarah Schreiber.