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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Hamburg High School's Academy of Finance upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of an Advance CTE's Excellence in Action Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those institutions of true purpose and high achievement whose exemplary programs and accomplishment clearly demonstrate an enduring pursuit of excellence in the education of the youth of the Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Hamburg High School's Academy of Finance upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of an Advance CTE's Excellence in Action Award; and

WHEREAS, Excellence in Action awards are given to Career and Technical Education programs throughout the country for their ability to prepare students not only for higher education, but for jobs; and

WHEREAS, The Academy of Finance at Hamburg High School recently had its entire senior class either move onto higher learning or received jobs in the finance industry; and

WHEREAS, The Academy of Finance's curriculum is developed by an advisory board of 40 business leaders who also provide workplace experience, mock interviews, and scholarships for students; and

WHEREAS, Academy students set up and operate their own credit union, with \$15,000 in seed money from a local credit union; and

WHEREAS, Students can earn a range of financial industry certifications because of this work; and

WHEREAS, Academy students are given a chance to receive college credit from a number of different institutions and upon graduation, are

rewarded with a \$2,000 scholarship from a local college; and

WHEREAS, The Advance CTE's Excellence in Action Award stands as a resolute testimony to the Academy of Finance at Hamburg High School's standards of excellence, its uncompromising values, unparalleled dedication, and the special teamwork of its family of students, parents, teachers and administrators, who share common goals and uncommon expectations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Hamburg High School's Academy of Finance upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of an Advance CTE's Excellence in Action Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Academy of Finance.