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Assembly Resolution No. 416

BY: M. of A. Stec

HONORING Douglas W. Huntley upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2017 Good Scout Award on May 10, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Douglas W. Huntley upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2017 Good Scout Award, to be celebrated at a dinner on May 10, 2017, at the Great Escape Lodge in Queensbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award is bestowed upon individuals who exemplify, in daily life, the ideals of the Boy Scouts of America, as expressed in the Scout Oath and Law; the recipients are chosen for their outstanding community service through leadership, as well as for the respect and esteem in which their colleagues hold them; Douglas W. Huntley is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, After graduating with his bachelor's degree and master's degree in Education from Norwich University in Vermont, Douglas W.

Huntley went on to receive his Doctor of Education degree from the Sage Graduate School of Educational Leadership in Albany, New York and his Certificate of Advanced Studies in Educational Administration from the University of Vermont; and

WHEREAS, Prior to holding the esteemed position of Superintendent of the Queensbury Union Free School District, Douglas W. Huntley served as the Superintendent of Schools for both the Massena Central School District and the Hadley-Luzerne Central School District; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure at Queensbury Union Free School District, Douglas W. Huntley tirelessly worked to ensure that it was consistently ranked as an academically high-performing school, while maintaining one of the lowest per pupil expenditures in the state; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Douglas W. Huntley led his district in various school improvement initiatives including the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, Project Lead the Way, Early College High School (Advanced Manufacturing and Information Technology), Robotics, Algebra for All, Readers and Writers Workshops (Columbia University) and Innovation Space; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to education, Douglas W. Huntley also served on numerous boards and committees such as the Executive Board of the Capital Area School Development Association, the New York State Council of School Superintendents (NYSCOSS) Executive Committee and the NYSCOSS House of Delegates and Commissioner's Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Douglas W. Huntley is an adjunct professor for the doctoral program of education at the Sage Graduate School and the State University of New York at Plattsburgh and St. Lawrence University; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Douglas W. Huntley is a frequent presenter for several NYSCOSS superintendent development programs, and has recently served as the keynote speaker at the Annual Google Summer Educators Conference in New York, New York, the Tri County United Way Kickoff luncheon, the North Country Symposium, and at the BOCES summer retreats for superintendents; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his loving wife, Mary-Jane, his two sons, Brett and Garrett, and his two grandchildren, who have all shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Douglas W. Huntley's dedication to his community and to scouting has had a lasting impact on the greater Queensbury community; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Douglas W. Huntley has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, Douglas W. Huntley has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of Queensbury, as well as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Douglas W. Huntley upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2017 Good Scout Award on May 10, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Douglas W. Huntley.