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Senate Resolution No. 2700

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Pauline Setordjie upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Jill Ann Livingston Award by the Black Women's Association of Albany on June 10, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Pauline Setordjie upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Jill Ann Livingston Award by the Black Women's Association of Albany, to be celebrated at its Marian I. Hughes Scholarship Awards Reception on Saturday, June 10, 2017, at The Linda, WAMC's Performing Arts Studio in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Black Women's Association of Albany (BWAA) was founded on September 21, 1977, by a group of dynamic women with the purpose to stimulate political and social awareness, encourage cultural growth, help youth realize their full potential through education and serve as positive role models for African-American women of all ages; and

WHEREAS, The BWAA Marian I. Hughes Scholarship Awards were established in 2005, in memory of Marian I. Hughes, an educational leader who held various teaching and administrative positions in the City School District of Albany; she was also an Associate in the New York State Education Department, the author of two books about the history of public school education in Albany, and an advocate for better human relations; and

WHEREAS, Pauline Setordjie, a senior at Bethlehem Central School, engaged in a rigorous academic program which included Advanced Placement English, Pre-Calculus, and World History; and

WHEREAS, An active scholar, Pauline Setordjie is a member of the African-American, Latino, Asian and Native American Club (A.L.A.N.A.), Homework Club, and Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD); she is also a participant of the Track and Field Team; and

WHEREAS, For her work with SADD at Bethlehem Middle School, Pauline Setordjie was the recipient of the Service Recognition Award and the Multicultural Achievement Award from the University at Albany; and

WHEREAS, Pauline Setordjie plans to study exploratory liberal arts at Binghamton University; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those students of outstanding character, who have shown initiative and commitment toward constantly pursuing higher goals for themselves, and acting as role models of leadership to be emulated by their peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor Pauline Setordjie upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Jill Ann Livingston Award by the Black Women's Association of Albany on June 10, 2017, and to extend to her 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 Pauline Setordjie.