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Senate Resolution No. 3817

BY: Senator FLANAGAN

COMMENDING Madeline Mastriano upon the occasion of her designation as a Distinguished Finalist in the 23rd Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program

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 exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Madeline Mastriano upon the occasion of her designation as a Distinguished Finalist in the 23rd Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program celebrated at a special Ceremony on Tuesday, February 6, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Mastriano has distinguished herself as a young woman of superlative ability, establishing a high standard of community service, purposefulness of life, and sense of responsibility rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, created in 1995 by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of

Secondary School Principals (NASSP), are designed to emphasize the importance our Nation places on service to others, and to encourage all young Americans to contribute to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Mastriano, an esteemed resident of Stony Brook, New York, and a senior at Ward Melville High School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2018 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to their communities; and

WHEREAS, Madeline Mastriano earned this award for her steadfast and unrelenting commitment to raising funds for Stony Brook Children's Hospital; throughout the last five years, Madeline and her brother have graciously donated \$37,000 to this vital medical institution from selling lemonade at their neighborhood stand; and

WHEREAS, From its humble beginnings, the small lemonade stand has grown into a full-fledged community event; recently, more than 100 student volunteers and 25 business supporters helped Madeline Mastriano and her brother with their philanthropic efforts; and

WHEREAS, The success of the State of New York, the strength of our communities, and the vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Madeline Mastriano, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Madeline Mastriano, commending her for her outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community service, recognizing the value of her labors

and the promise of her future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations, with praise and pride, to commend Madeline Mastriano for her achievements 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 Madeline Mastriano.