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Senate Resolution No. 4669

BY: Senator MARCELLINO

HONORING Robert Carter upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2018 President's Award by the Huntington Arts Council on May 17, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those individuals of historic and artistic significance whose creative talents have contributed to the cultural enrichment of our communities and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Robert Carter upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2018 President's Award by the Huntington Arts Council to be celebrated at its 55th Anniversary Gala on Thursday, May 17, 2018, at Huntington Fine Arts in Greenlawn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Huntington Arts Council provides educational programming while nurturing and preserving art and culture on Long Island; in 2017, this vital organization reached over one million people through various events including the Summer Arts Festival, Arts in Education, Exhibitions at its Gallery, and the NYSCA Decentralization Grant Program throughout Long Island; the Council also produces a Cultural Arts Newsletter; and

WHEREAS, Robert Carter is receiving this prestigious award for his steadfast and unremitting commitment to the arts; and

WHEREAS, Born in Louisville, Kentucky, Robert Carter earned his Master of Fine Arts degree from the Pratt Institute of Fine Arts in New York; and

WHEREAS, Ever since he was a young boy, Robert Carter appreciated line, color and form, leading to an interest in design; his sensitivity to detail, the virtuosity of his hand, and his uncommon understanding of human nature have become his legacy and continues to set apart his creative art today; and

WHEREAS, Robert Carter's paintings, drawings and illustrations are consistently in demand by collectors and his work can be found in permanent collections of museums and private collectors throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Robert Carter has also worked as a contract illustrator for major New York publishers, and his work can be found in numerous art books and other related publications; during this past year, his magnificent work was seen at exhibitions in Dallas, Atlanta, Philadelphia and New York City; and

WHEREAS, In addition to creating thought provoking masterpieces, Robert Carter is an art professor at Nassau Community College, where he teaches drawing, painting and design; he also serves as a lecturer and demonstrator in various public schools, universities and private art organizations; and

WHEREAS, It is most fitting that we take time to celebrate the arts

of our Nation, to honor our artists, and to express our appreciation to everyone who patronizes the arts; and as we celebrate the arts, we celebrate and give thanks to our American freedom, the only atmosphere in which artists can truly create and in which art is truly the expression of the soul; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Robert Carter upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2018 President's Award by the Huntington Arts Council on May 17, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Robert Carter.