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Senate Resolution No. 173

BY: Senator BRESLIN

COMMENDING Theresa Vaughan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Albany Fund for Education on October 12, 2018

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, The American public school system is a treasured institution; those individuals, such as Theresa Vaughan, who work to improve our schools and ensure that all children have access to quality educational programs merit the highest commendation of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Theresa Vaughan upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Albany Fund for Education to be celebrated at its 21st Annual Gala on Friday, October 12, 2018, at Renaissance Albany Hotel in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Albany Fund for Education (AFE) strives to enhance opportunities for students to learn, grow, and succeed by building

community partnerships, raising funds, and investing in innovative and effective programs and projects that build equity and strengthen the educational infrastructure of the City School District of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Passionate and committed to public education and the youth of Albany, Theresa Vaughan truly exemplifies the Fund's mission and therefore, is truly deserving of this auspicious award; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Vaughan helped establish the Fund in 1997, and incorporate it in 1998; from 1998-2003, she served as President of this vital organization and has been a member of its Board of Directors since its inception; and

WHEREAS, After more than 20 years of service, Theresa Vaughan plans on stepping down from her important role in the great success of this vital organization; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure, Theresa Vaughan was instrumental in implementing the Grants Program, the Dental Van, Albany Goes Green, Coach Mentor Workshops, Little Free Libraries, and so much more; and

WHEREAS, Theresa Vaughan has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of Albany, New York, as well as on the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for her impressive dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Theresa Vaughan upon the occasion of her designation for special

recognition by the Albany Fund for Education on October 12, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Theresa Vaughan.