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2 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I'm going
3 to begin with my Intel finalist and then I'm
4 going to go to Judy Jacobs for hers, and
5 then we will take it from there.

6 So, without any further ado, I
7 would like to introduce you to a young man
8 by the name of Ganesh Ravichandran -- and I
9 hope I said it right, Ganesh, you will
10 certainly correct me when you're up there.
11 He is a 17 year at W.T. Clarke High School
12 in the East Meadow School District. He
13 traveled to the California Institute of
14 Technology in Pasadena to use images
15 captured by high tech cameras to build a
16 catalog of stars in the Milky Way. Ganesh,
17 for six months was to make a computer
18 program that will allow him to sift through
19 more than 1,100 images. His research helped
20 ferret out discrepancies in other scientific
21 data giving a clearer understanding of the
22 universe. He was gratified when he was
23 named a semifinalist, when said that the
24 real reward is in becoming closer with
25 nature, the universe, and fostering your own

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2 interest in science.

3 So, let's welcome Ganesh. Go
4 ahead, Ganesh. I'm going to start this.
5 How did this come about? Where you did get
6 the idea for this project? What was your
7 interest in it?

8 MR. RAVICHANDRAN: So, I've
9 always been interested in physics and
10 astronomy ever since I was a little kid.
11 So, the summer before junior year, I
12 contacted a graduate student, Timothy
13 Morton, at Cal Tech in Pasadena. I asked if
14 I could work on a research project with him
15 because his research about the Nassau
16 Keppler Mission was very fascinating to me.
17 He agreed to work with me and so that's how
18 I started off with this project.

19 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: So tell us
20 a little bit of where you would like to go
21 from here.

22 MR. RAVICHANDRAN: I would like
23 to continue to research astronomy in the
24 future but I'm not exactly sure whether it
25 would be academic or governmental that I

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2 would be interested in.

3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Have you
4 made applications to colleges?

5 MR. RAVICHANDRAN: Yes.

6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Have you
7 heard from any of them?

8 MR. RAVICHANDRAN: I was accepted
9 to the University of Chicago and I'm waiting
10 to hear back from a few others.

11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Where
12 would you like to go?

13 MR. RAVICHANDRAN: Harvard would
14 be nice.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I think so
16 too. He is here with his father. Where are
17 you? Would you join us at the podium,
18 please, and Principal Tim Voles of Tresper
19 Clarke High School. Would you like to say
20 something Mr. Voles about Ganesh?

21 MR. VOLES: Certainly I would
22 like to thank you and the entire legislature
23 for having us here today. This is quite an
24 honor, not only for Ganesh but for our
25 school and our entire school district and

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2 community. We are always greatly supportive
3 of the legislature and all the things you do
4 for our county and for our school district.

5 So I would like to thank you on
6 behalf of our superintendent of schools and
7 the Board of Education.

8 As far as Ganesh is concerned,
9 just as was said this morning, he is
10 certainly someone that we can be greatly
11 proud of and we certainly look forward to
12 hearing about his future successes.

13 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you
14 very much, Mr. Voles. I have a citation to
15 present to Ganesh and I would like to see if
16 he can take a picture, but I don't want to
17 hold this up. I will ask that we continue
18 and ask that Ganesh join me on the side.
19 Legislator Jacobs.

20 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: It is
21 absolutely my pleasure to introduce Reva
22 Butensky from the Plainview Old Bethpage
23 School District. Reva, where are you? If
24 your principal and teacher can come up with
25 you that would be great. I just want to

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2 say, I'm trying Ms. Reva, I'm not sure I'm
3 going to get it right, but Reva is from
4 Plainview. I believe you are very
5 interested in chemistry.

6 MS. BUTENSKY: Yes, I am.

7 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: And now, you
8 may laugh at the pronunciation, but you can
9 explain what I'm saying. You worked on a
10 project for the evaluation of novel
11 polyacrylamide gel for studies on biological
12 radon reactions. But I know it's great, and
13 I would like you to tell us in our language
14 what this is.

15 But I'm so proud of you. I'm
16 always proud of Plainview Old Bethpage, I
17 can tell you that. The floor is yours.

18 MS. BUTENSKY: So, basically,
19 what I did in my work is I developed a new
20 polymer gel that is conductive and a strong
21 polymer. It can be used to study in the
22 future the workings of this thing called an
23 electron transport team in mitochondria and
24 sometimes this transport chain malfunctions
25 in a way that scientists aren't aware of and

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2 then this disfunction often causes diseases
3 like Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases.
4 I thought those applications
5 really spoke to me and I know a lot of
6 people who suffer from those diseases so I
7 wanted to find a way to easy target them and
8 study those in the future.

9 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: It always
10 makes me speechless to realize what good
11 hands we are going to be in in the future.
12 You know, you read in the newspapers about
13 the bad things. You don't realize how many
14 wonderful young people there are that are
15 working and are right on the cutting edge of
16 all of this. So I'm going to come down and
17 give this to you.

18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Hi there. It
19 sounds interesting. Just tell me, what
20 would be the use, the polymer, what would be
21 the use in these various diseases, do you
22 bind a treatment to another model tool to --

23 MR. BUTENSKY: Well, what it is
24 specifically is that, we are working towards
25 developing a new system that can study these

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2 mitochondria without having them to be in a
3 living cell and, in order to do this, we are
4 using the principles of electrochemistry,
5 but in order to facilitate reactions, we
6 need some sort of conductive polymer to
7 separate our electrodes in the system, which
8 transmit the current and the actual
9 mitochondria. So, in order to separate
10 those, but still maintain the reactions,
11 that's why we need this polymer.

12 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: So, it's a
13 research tool rather than a treatment tool,
14 is that what you're telling me?

15 MS. BUTENSKY: Yes, it's a
16 research tool to find out about what causes
17 it and how we can treat it.

18 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: And where are
19 you going to further this next year?

20 MS. BUTENSKY: Well, as far as
21 this research, I would like to continue
22 working on it where ever I end up for
23 college, I guess, in the future.

24 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: What is your
25 wish list as far as college?

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2 MS. BUTENSKY: Well, so far I
3 have been accepted to MIT. Yes, thank you.
4 So, probably there. That's probably where I
5 will be.

6 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: You've blown
7 us all away and I'm going to tell you
8 something when I come down, an idea for you.

9 MS. BUTENSKY: Okay. Thank you.

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Deputy
11 Presiding Officer Nicoletto has a point of
12 personal privilege and he has I believe four
13 honorees.

14 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Yes.
15 Thank you, Presiding Officer. I am very
16 privileged along with Legislator Birnbaum to
17 represent the community of Manhasset and
18 today I'm honored to recognize four
19 Manhasset high school students. Priya
20 Alagesan, Albert Kim, Michael Kusinierek and
21 Kevin Tong as 2014 Intel Science Talent
22 Semifinalists.

23 As we all know, the Intel Science
24 Talent Search is the nation's most
25 prestigious pre-college science competition.

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2 And it's extraordinary for one school to
3 have one semifinalist, but, to have four, is
4 a testament to the students, parents, to the
5 community, and to the talented dedicated
6 educators at Manhasset High School. The
7 students are accompanied by their parents as
8 well as Dr. Dean Schwanger, the high school
9 principal; Teresa Curry, who is the district
10 coordinator for science, health, and
11 technology; Peter Borstella, the student
12 science research teacher, and I believe the
13 superintendent of schools, Charles Cardillo.

14 I would like to invite the
15 students up and to say a few words about
16 their project and perhaps where you are
17 intending to go to school.

18 MR. KUSINIEREK: Well, my name is
19 Michael Kusinierек and my project is based
20 on the affects of prolonged sonification
21 periods on the biodegradation of TMC polymer
22 agencies.

23 Basically, in our world today, we
24 use carbon nanotubes as a way to strengthen
25 materials, especially in the manufacturing

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2 world, and it basically combines with
3 organic compounds.

4 One part of carbon nanotubes that
5 aren't so good is that they're pretty
6 hazardous to our environment. So, while
7 they add strength to the materials, they are
8 also dangerous.

9 My project focused on a way of
10 limiting carbon nanotubes in these materials
11 as a way to help the environment, so while
12 we are still using them, we can still
13 prevent not as much damage from going into
14 our world.

15 So my project focused on
16 sonification periods which basically
17 distribute carbon nanotubes much more
18 efficiently within plastics. By
19 distributing them, they not only function
20 much more effectively, but they also don't
21 rub against each other as much when they are
22 in higher concentration.

23 So, by not rubbing against each
24 other, they basically don't break down as
25 fast and they can function much more

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2 effectively against bacteria colonies
3 growing on them.

4 So, not only did my project
5 suggest that we can help the environment by
6 reducing carbon nanotubes, but we can also
7 strengthen our materials by reducing them
8 and distributing them much more effectively.

9 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Thank you,
10 Michael. Have you decided where you are
11 going to school next year?

12 MR. KUSINIEREK: Not yet.
13 Currently I got accepted to the University
14 of Virginia, so I'm considering it but we
15 will see.

16 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: All right.

17 MR. KIM: Hi. I'm Albert Kim.

18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Hi Albert.

19 MR. KIM: Would you like to know
20 about my project, any questions?

21 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Yes. Just
22 tell us a little bit about your project,
23 please.

24 MR. KIM: My project proposed a
25 potential treatment for Alzheimer's Disease

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2 using the HB-11 human neuroblastoma cell
3 line. I demonstrate the potential effects
4 of an environmental toxin called
5 for-nonylphenol (phonetic) or for-NP
6 (phonetic) in relation to this novel
7 treatment.

8 So, the purpose of my project was
9 to investigate the effects of Goji berry
10 extract, or lysium barbarum on stress
11 response mechanisms induced by environmental
12 toxin for-NP.

13 So, at the center of my project
14 was the stadi-electricnology DNA microray,
15 every step of which I performed.

16 So DNA microray allows me to look
17 at every single gene in the human body in
18 one shot.

19 With this list, I picked 24 genes
20 that are hallmark mediators for Alzheimer's
21 Disease, and the results suggested that Goji
22 berry extract not only acts as a repairing
23 mechanism, but as a protective mechanism
24 against Alzheimer's Disease.

25 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: That's

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2 fabulous. Albert, have you been accepted to
3 school?

4 MR. KIM: I'm waiting until April
5 1st.

6 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Thank you.
7 Kevin.

8 MR. TONG: Hello, I'm Kevin Tong.
9 I'll keep my presentation short and simple.

10 I isolated a protein in human
11 breast milk that can greatly decrease the
12 amount of radiation damage following
13 chemotherapy or a radiation meltdown from a
14 nuclear plant. So that's another thing that
15 women can do that men can't, kill radiation
16 poisoning.

17 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Thank you,
18 Kevin. Where have you been accepted?

19 MR. TONG: I haven't been
20 accepted anywhere. Thank you for pointing
21 that out. But I'm hopeful.

22 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Somehow I
23 don't think that's going to be an issue for
24 you. Thanks, Kevin. Go ahead, Priya
25 Alagesan.

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2 MS. ALAGESAN: Hi. I'm Priya
3 Alagesan. I studied coaching interactions
4 of the leading edge protein complex which is
5 basically a series of proteins that helps
6 guide the developing cell membrane to
7 closure when cells divide. Essentially,
8 this has implications in cancer-cell
9 division and potentially targeting proteins
10 for stopping that type of division.

11 In terms of colleges, I haven't
12 been accepted anywhere yet either. We will
13 see in March and April.

14 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Thank you
15 very much. You have a question?

16 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Yes.
17 Albert, I have a question of you. Goji
18 berries, where do you find Goji berries?

19 MR. KIM: There were actually, in
20 500 BC in China, but, of course, after the
21 Japanese invasion, they got destroyed
22 basically, but there are some variations of
23 this. You wouldn't want to eat the berries,
24 you just want the extract. This extract has
25 been shown to basically reverse and protect

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2 against Alzheimer's Disease.

3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Would you
4 get that extract in, let's say, a health
5 food store?

6 MR. KIM: It is possible, but it
7 is very difficult. Like, I had to get mine
8 from Signaldrick (phonetic) because they
9 wouldn't sell it to me. I needed a
10 Bio-Safety Level One for some reason.

11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I'm going
12 to pursue it. Albert, Legislator Ford has a
13 question.

14 LEGISLATOR FORD: You can tell a
15 lot of us are approaching Alzheimer's age.
16 So we are very interested.

17 My question then would be, by
18 using this extract, did you also, if, like,
19 if people already are suffering from
20 Alzheimer's, can it reverse it, or is it
21 something that someone would take prior who
22 may be at risk of Alzheimer's?

23 MR. KIM: Because it showed as a
24 repairing and protective, it can work in
25 both situations. But I can't say it's final

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2 because this is just based on the results
3 the DNA microray.

4 LEGISLATOR FORD: But it shows
5 promise?

6 MR. KIM: Yes.

7 LEGISLATOR FORD: And to all of
8 you, it's very interesting all of the
9 research that all of you have done and I'm
10 sure that you're all going to do very, very
11 well in your future years and I wish you a
12 lot of great success. And, for all of you,
13 I know you are going to go to the colleges
14 that you want to go to. Congratulations.

15 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: We just
16 want to tell you, Legislator Ford, that
17 we're very proud of you in Nassau County
18 that you represent really the cream of the
19 crop in terms of our future.

20 So, Legislator Birnbaum, we
21 invite you to come down here and take a
22 photograph, unless you want to add
23 something.

24 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: I'm just so
25 proud of all of you. I have a son who was

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2 an Intel semifinalist winner, so I share in
3 your joy and your family's.

4 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
5 Denenberg.

6 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Yes. Good
7 afternoon. Just before I want to call up
8 the Intel semifinalist from Wantagh High
9 School and three from Bellmore Merrick
10 Central High School District, I just want to
11 note that it was noted by both the minority
12 leader as well as the presiding officer how
13 many more women sit on this board now.

14 I have to say that over the years
15 that I have been here, so many more of our
16 Intel semifinalists are women as well.

17 I went to engineering school and,
18 when I went to engineering school in the mid
19 '80s, less than ten percent of my class was
20 women. But, now, we see of the Intel
21 semifinalists, that we see at least 50
22 percent are women. It's really remarkable
23 what a change a few years makes and it's all
24 good.

25 Jaclyn

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2 Onufrey from Wantagh High School I would
3 call up now, as well as Rachel Abramowitz,
4 Rebecca Gelineck, and Ben November from John
5 F. Kennedy High School, Bellmore Merrick
6 School District.

7 I will call them up one at a time
8 but, first, let me just say that Jaclyn
9 Onufrey of Wantagh High School is the first
10 Intel semifinalist from Wantagh High School.
11 So that's really nice to see.

12 Jaclyn's project involved the
13 study of mud crabs along the East Coast of
14 the United States which is appropriate for
15 our south shore districts.

16 These particular crabs are
17 invaders from Asia believed brought to our
18 waters in the ballast tanks of ships, and
19 there is concern that this invasive species
20 may upset the balance of the ecosystem along
21 our coast which could negatively impact our
22 marine economy and food chain.

23 Jaclyn, why don't you tell us
24 about your project.

25 MS. ONUFREY: Yes. So the

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2 invasive crab is called the Asian Shore Crab
3 and it was introduced in the late 1980s, so
4 not a lot of work has been done on its
5 effects that it may have, but I studied the
6 demographic effect that it has had on the
7 Native Mud Crabs. So I performed
8 statistical analysis on the levels of the
9 population abundance on Long Island and then
10 I did a genetic study which compared the
11 haplotypes in the invasive region on the
12 East Coast of the U.S. to the haplotypes in
13 Asia. I found that there has been some
14 genetic bottleneck, but, in the future more
15 collections need to be done to come up with
16 more conclusive data.

17 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: So, is it
18 a cause for concern? Are we in trouble?

19 MS. ONUFREY: Well, it's still
20 very early, relatively, so we're just going
21 to keep monitoring it.

22 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Jaclyn's
23 work was assisted by Mrs. McGraddy White,
24 who arranged for Jaclyn to work with Dr.
25 April Plakesly, who is a Professor of

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2 Ecology at the CW Post Biology Department.
3 And your work took place from January 2013
4 through September 2013?

5 MS. ONUFREY: Yes.

6 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: And tell
7 us about your future goals. Where are your
8 applications out right now?

9 MS. ONUFREY: I'm still waiting
10 to hear back from a few. I've been accepted
11 to Notre Dame and the University of
12 Virginia.

13 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Anyone
14 else have any questions?

15 All right. So, Jaclyn and I also
16 just wanted to note that we wanted to thank
17 the faculty at Wantagh High School as well
18 as the administration and, of course, the
19 support of her family. So, Jaclyn, again,
20 great.

21 From JFK, Rachel Abramowitz, and
22 Rachel's research project was titled, "Why
23 innocent people comply with police requests;
24 the role of just world beliefs and public
25 self consciousness."

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2 She did this study in partnership
3 with Saul Casen, who is a professor at CUNY,
4 John Jay College of Criminal Justice. Her
5 research went back since 2005. She was
6 looking at the rate of which innocent people
7 confess to crimes and she saw that its
8 increased significantly. Why don't you tell
9 us about your study, Rachel.

10 MS. ABRAMOWITZ: So, I basically
11 analyzed three different factors that may
12 influence why innocent people do cooperate
13 with police. One, I found that innocent
14 people are significantly more cooperative
15 than guilty people. I also tested why, a
16 belief in a just world, which is a belief
17 that good things happen to good people, and
18 bad things happen to bad people, whether
19 that may influence the cooperativeness of an
20 individual, and I found that people who
21 believe that the world is a just place are
22 significantly more cooperative with police.

23 I also tested an illusion of
24 transparency which is the belief that one's
25 internal state is more apparent to an

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2 audience than actually the case. And I
3 found that people who have a high belief in
4 an illusion of transparency were also more
5 cooperative with police.

6 So, basically, what I learned
7 from my research is that, to watch how you
8 choose to cooperate and that I know that if
9 I were in a situation where I was under
10 arrest or under suspicion of a crime that I
11 would definitely invoke my Miranda rights
12 and ask for a lawyer immediately.

13 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Even
14 though you are innocent, right?

15 MS. ABRAMOWITZ: Yes.

16 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: So, does
17 anyone have any questions about the project?

18 Rachel, why don't you tell us
19 where you are going next year, some of the
20 applications that you have out.

21 MS. ABRAMOWITZ: Well, I'm still
22 waiting to hear back from a lot of schools,
23 but I would really like to go to Washington
24 University in Saint Louis where I want to
25 study psychology, either criminal or

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2 clinical, I'm not sure yet.

3 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: You're
4 from Merrick?

5 MS. ABRAMOWITZ: Yes.

6 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: So, once
7 again, Rachel is an example, year after
8 year, Bellmore Merrick Central High School
9 District has a number of Intel
10 Semifinalists. So, thanks for your great
11 work and good luck next year, Rachel.

12 MS. ABRAMOWITZ: Thank you.

13 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: And of
14 course her family is here as well providing
15 her love and support.

16 Rebecca Gelineck from JFK High
17 School. This is really an interesting
18 study. Her project was the effects of
19 Barbie dolls and their wardrobes on body
20 dissatisfaction. She studied and explored
21 the effects of playing with Barbie dolls and
22 wanted to see and study if there was a link
23 to poor body imagine in young girls.

24 Her present study is the first
25 that we know to determine if doll clothing

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2 and doll familiarity affects young girl body
3 images and participants completed surveys
4 and played with Barbie dolls and full
5 figured dolls of unequal familiarity.

6 So, why don't you tell us a bit
7 about your study, and I know you did a ton
8 of follow-up as well, so, to me, I was
9 amazed by your follow-up.

10 MS. GELINECK: Thank you. So, my
11 research focused on how Barbie dolls and
12 their wardrobes affect young girl's body
13 images and their body type aspirations. So,
14 whether they want a thinner figure than the
15 one they currently have or a larger figure.
16 So I found that the girls that played with
17 Barbie dolls rather than a full figured doll
18 desired thinner body shapes after play time.

19 So this has implications for the
20 development of eating disorders in young
21 girls because there is a link between a low
22 body imagine and the risks of future eating
23 disorders.

24 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Legislator
25 Solages was wondering if you studied the

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2 effect of Ken dolls on young men.

3 MS. GELINECK: I didn't but there
4 has been studies on that that I've read that
5 looked at the male perspective.

6 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: I mean,
7 the end result was, were you able to
8 conclude that there was negative stereotypes
9 or connotations?

10 MS. GELINECK: Yes. There was a
11 link between playing with Barbie dolls and
12 negative body imagine. However, the
13 clothing of the doll, which is what I also
14 wanted to test, does not affect how they
15 feel about themselves. Because I suppose
16 that the visibility of the body shape would
17 lead to a greater negative affect if you see
18 more of the thin shape, but, rather, it is
19 only the body, it's not how much you see of
20 it, so that shows how negative the effect
21 really is.

22 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Thank you
23 very much, Rebecca. Why don't you tell us
24 where some of your applications are and
25 where you are looking to go next year.

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2 MS. GELINECK: Well, I won't
3 really know till the end of March/April, but
4 I do hope to attend Boston University,
5 perhaps.

6 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: You know,
7 I've seen you over the years, whether we
8 were planting trees or around town, so it's
9 great to see all of what you accomplished so
10 far, but I know we are going to see so much
11 more of your accomplishments in future years
12 so keep up the great work.

13 MS. GELINECK: Thank you.

14 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Of course,
15 thanks again to the JFK faculty and
16 administration for the great job they're
17 doing with helping people like you. Thanks.
18 And Rebecca's family is here as well.

19 Ben November from JFK High
20 School. And are you the valedictorian, Ben.

21 Ben's project is measurement of
22 leaf properties to improve the
23 polymerization used by earth system models
24 to estimate the maximum capacity for carbon
25 dioxide uptake in the arctic.

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2 You conducted your study at
3 Brookhaven National Labs, right?

4 MR. NOVEMBER: Yes.

5 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Why don't
6 you tell us a little bit about your
7 research.

8 MR. NOVEMBER: Okay. So I took
9 measurements of leaf properties in 11
10 species of arctic plants in order to help
11 correct some the inaccuracies of model
12 estimates to calculate the carbon dioxide
13 uptake capacity in the arctic. It's one of
14 the calculations used to project future
15 global warming.

16 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: What did
17 you find?

18 MR. NOVEMBER: I found that some
19 of the current models we use grossly under
20 estimate the arctic plant species capacity
21 to take in carbon dioxide which shows that
22 not only the arctic biosphere has a greater
23 ability to absorb carbon dioxide, but those
24 species of plants and perhaps species of
25 plants and other biospheres in general have

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2 a greater ability to take in carbon that we
3 previously believed.

4 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: So that's
5 a good thing but that doesn't mean we
6 shouldn't watch and protect the environment
7 from too much carbon dioxide, right?

8 MR. NOVEMBER: Yes. So, every
9 time you think about cutting down a tree,
10 think twice. So, it's really more
11 informative for policy makers to help make
12 the correct decisions when considering what
13 policy to take towards environmentalism.

14 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: I don't
15 know if you remember this, Ben, but
16 Legislator Jacobs remembered you visited us
17 when we were across the street at One West
18 Street, with your dad, took you here. You
19 were maybe five or six years old at the time
20 and you got a tour of the old building. I
21 think you would agree that the new building
22 is a lot better, but Judy Jacobs immediately
23 when she saw your name remembered when you
24 came and visited us some 12 years ago.

25 So it's good to see how well

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2 you're doing and the faculty at JFK, the
3 administration does a great job and all of
4 you, really, your family has given you a lot
5 of support. We are looking forward to
6 seeing great things.

7 Ben, why don't you close by
8 telling us which schools you have applied to
9 and we're hoping that you get into an Ivy
10 League School, right?

11 MR. NOVEMBER: That would be nice
12 but at this point I'll go where ever the
13 wind takes me.

14 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Well, your
15 applications are in Princeton, where else?

16 MR. NOVEMBER: I have
17 applications all over the place. Princeton,
18 Duke, Yale, Harvard, but that doesn't mean
19 I'll be accepted but it's worth a try.

20 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Well, for
21 Jaclyn, Rachel, Rebecca and Ben, great job.
22 Let's give them a huge round of applause.

23 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
24 Birnbaum.

25 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Good

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2 afternoon, everybody. I am proud to say
3 that I'm the legislator of a district where
4 we have winners from all three high schools,
5 Great Neck North, Great Neck south, and
6 Herricks, and am sharing in the joy of
7 Manhasset as well.

8 So, I, as a parent of three
9 students who have done science research, and
10 I mentioned before I have a son who was a
11 winner of the Intel Semifinalist Event, I
12 know how much hard work and dedication goes
13 into a project like this. It can't be done
14 without the faculty members of the school.

15 But, in addition, we have to
16 realize how lucky we are to live on Long
17 Island where we are surrounded by first
18 class hospitals and learning institutions.
19 I know a lot of these projects were done in
20 conjunction with research that was already
21 going on there.

22 Let me start off with students
23 who came today and thank you for taking time
24 out of your busy school days. I know it's
25 really tough to miss important subjects that

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2 you are studying.

3 Great Neck North High School,
4 which is where my children went. We have
5 two winners here today. The first one I
6 will mention is Larry Li. His project is
7 entitled, "Philosophy gradients in relation
8 to spacial scale of star forming dense cores
9 in the Perseus Molecular Cloud."

10 So, Larry, can you tell us a
11 little bit more about that? I'm also
12 curious, where did you do this research?

13 MR. LI: Hi. I'm Larry Li. I
14 did my research at Harvard University over
15 the summer. If you want kind of a clearer
16 version of the title, I studied the rotation
17 rates of the star forming clouds, basically
18 where our star came from, in the Perseus
19 Molecular Cloud, which is somewhere north on
20 the sky. It's pretty cool.

21 What I did, I identified parts of
22 the clouds that would eventually form a
23 star, and I calculated how fast they rotated
24 which is kind of important when you look at
25 clouds because the velocity reading actually

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2 -- the way in which a cloud spins, the same
3 way a star form spins.

4 Over the summer we found a cool
5 thing, a cool relation between the size of a
6 core and how fast it rotates. To this day,
7 we don't to know, why it's such a great
8 increase in its velocity rates and rotation
9 rates. I guess it just goes to show how
10 much of the universe that we don't know and
11 how much there is to discover.

12 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Do you know
13 where you will be going to school?

14 MR. LI: Not yet. I will be
15 waiting. Hopefully somewhere nice.

16 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Who is your
17 faculty that --

18 MR. LI: Mr. Allen Shoran over
19 there and Brook.

20 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Mr.
21 Shoran, if you would like to stand up.
22 Great. Thank you.

23 Next we have Terry Wei. Your
24 project is comparing the back projection
25 method of analysis with the JMA High Net

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2 catalog using the 2011, March 11th event to
3 determine the effectiveness of imaging
4 aftershocks. Can you tell us about that?

5 MR. WEI: Absolutely. What you
6 just said is actually a very fancy way of
7 saying how to detect earthquakes.

8 Basically, my project focused on
9 using two really annoying equations, if you
10 want to know, I can tell you what it is, you
11 probably forget them anyway, and what they
12 did was, they modeled a certain region, in
13 my case, it was the Japan 2011 earthquake,
14 so I modeled that region.

15 It basically detected for seismic
16 activity in that area in much higher
17 resolution and much higher detail. In the
18 end it found 300 extra events that the Japan
19 local network didn't find.

20 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Could you
21 mention what were some of these events, what
22 did they detect?

23 MR. WEI: Earthquake events.

24 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Which?

25 MR. WEI: Which event in

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2 particular? Is the 2011, March 11th Japan
3 earthquake.

4 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Right. But
5 what did you discover?

6 MR. WEI: That there were 300
7 additional events that occurred after the
8 main earthquake was detected.

9 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Smaller
10 ones?

11 MR. WEI: Yes.

12 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: And how
13 could this be used in the future?

14 MR. WEI: Well, it detects
15 earthquakes.

16 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Okay. It's
17 a method of detecting, okay.

18 Do you know where you will be
19 going to college yet?

20 MR. WEI: No. I'll will get back
21 to you in April.

22 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Thank you
23 very much. And from Great Neck South,
24 unfortunately they were not able to come,
25 there were two winners, Cara Cupsinberg, and

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2 Evangeline Gianopolis, so we will be sending
3 her those.

4 Next, we have Herricks High
5 School. Everybody who is here from Herricks
6 today, could you come forward?

7 I want to mention from south
8 there was one other winner, Richard Fetter,
9 he's from north.

10 From Herricks, we'll start with
11 William Chung. Welcome. Your project was
12 entitled, the use of glassy matrices to
13 isolate and identify the nitrous oxide
14 dioxygenase intermediate.

15 MR. CHUNG: Yes.

16 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Please
17 explain.

18 MR. CHUNG: So, over the summer,
19 what I studied was a hemoglobin reaction in
20 which -- it's called a nitrous oxide
21 dioxygenase reaction that converts nitric
22 oxide within our blood into harmless
23 nitrates. Nitric oxide is also known to
24 have great wound healing capabilities and it
25 allows us to dilate our blood vessels, but,

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2 at the same time, too much of nitric oxide
3 can prove to be fatal for vasculature in our
4 body system.

5 So what I studied was this
6 reaction which converted this nitric oxide
7 into harmless nitrates.

8 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Great.
9 Where did you do this research?

10 MR. CHUNG: I studied with Dr.
11 Joel Freeman at the Albert Einstein College
12 of Medicine in the Bronx.

13 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Do you know
14 where you will be going yet?

15 MR. CHUNG: I'm still waiting to
16 hear in April.

17 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Great. I'm
18 sure you'll do well.

19 MR. CHUNG: Thank you.

20 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: So, I have
21 listed next, Ankoor Talwar.

22 MS. BARCIA: Hi. Ankoor couldn't
23 be here today, but I could just tell you a
24 little bit about his project. I'm his
25 teacher, Rene Barcia.

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2 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Hi Rene.

3 MS. BARCIA: So Ankoor studied
4 the role of nitrate oxide in a novel drug
5 delivery system that would combat pulmonary
6 inflammation. He did his research between
7 two facilities, the Finestein Institute
8 right here in Manhasset, Great Neck, and
9 Albert Einstein in the Bronx.

10 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Terrific.
11 Thank you. And Sachit Singal.

12 MR. SINGAL: Hi, how are you?

13 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: I think
14 it's called chemical and computational
15 biology approach identifying the binding
16 site of novel anti-tubercular agents
17 targeting MTB, FTSE?

18 MR. SINGAL: Yes. My name is
19 Sachit Singal and the title you just read is
20 a simpler way of describing a new antibiotic
21 to treating drug resistant tuberculosis.

22 So, tuberculosis is the second
23 greatest opportunistic infection in the
24 world and it comes in two forms, drug
25 sensitive, cases that do respond to current

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2 antibiotics as well as drug resistant, which
3 do not respond to current antibiotics.

4 So the purpose of my research was
5 to synthesize a compound that can inhibit
6 microbacterium tuberculosis. That's the
7 specific pathogen that causes tuberculosis.
8 And developing a new mechanism of action
9 which could potentially treat drug sensitive
10 as well as drug resistant cases of
11 tuberculosis.

12 The results I found were indeed
13 promising and we are now that much closer,
14 we're on the forefront of developing a new
15 antibiotic to eventually, with the hope to
16 eradicate tuberculosis itself.

17 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Wow.
18 Terrific. Would it be a one shot, or --

19 MR. SINGAL: So, at present, we
20 have seen some promising results in mice
21 models and we synthesized the basic
22 compound. As far as synthesis in the form
23 of an oral pill goes, we will see that in
24 about five to ten years.

25 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Terrific.

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2 That's really great work.

3 MR. SINGAL: Thank you.

4 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Thank you
5 so much.

6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES:

7 Congratulations to each and every
8 semifinalist, and I say thank you to the
9 individuals but I also say thank you to the
10 parents and to the schools that nurtured
11 these individuals.

12 So, without any further ado, I
13 would like to officially open this meeting
14 and I'm going to ask Legislator Dunne to
15 please lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

16 (Whereupon, the Pledge of
17 Allegiance was recited.)

18 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: I will ask
19 the clerk to please call the roll.

20 CLERK MULLER: Deputy Presiding
21 Officer Nicoletto?

22 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Present.

23 CLERK MULLER: Alternate Deputy
24 Presiding Officer Kopel?

25 LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.

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2 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Bynoe?
3 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Present.
4 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
5 Solages?
6 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Here.
7 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Ford?
8 LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.
9 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Curran?
10 LEGISLATOR CURRAN: Here.
11 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Becker?
12 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Here.
13 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
14 Muscarella?
15 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Here.
16 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
17 Birnbaum?
18 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Here.
19 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
20 DeRiggi-Whitton?
21 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
22 Here.
23 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
24 Venditto?
25 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Here.

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2 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
3 Schaefer?
4 LEGISLATOR SCHAEFER: Here.
5 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Dunne?
6 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Here.
7 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Jacobs?
8 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Here.
9 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Walker?
10 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.
11 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
12 MacKenzie?
13 LEGISLATOR MACKENZIE: Here.
14 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
15 Denenberg? He's here. Minority Leader
16 Abrahams?
17 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Here.
18 CLERK MULLER: Presiding Officer
19 Gonsalves?
20 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Present.
21 CLERK MULLER: We have a full
22 quorum.
23 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Legislator
24 Denenberg actually is -- I thought he was
25 here. He must be in the back. I think I

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2 could have benefitted from those Goji
3 berries because somebody had said to me
4 earlier that Town of North Hempstead
5 Councilwoman Viviana Russell was here and I
6 totally forget to say that to you, Madam
7 Presiding Officer, to make that a proper
8 announcement, so I could use some of those
9 berries.

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: By the
11 way, you can get them on line.

12 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: But I don't
13 believe the councilwoman is here anymore but
14 I do want to recognize her.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: She is.

16 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: She is?
17 Oh, hey, how are you, Viviana? The
18 councilwoman is here so I don't feel so bad.
19 But she is here to make that proper
20 announcement and I wanted to make sure we
21 recognize her.

22 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: And I forgot
23 to mention something that I should have
24 before, that is that Syosset School District
25 did have four Intel semifinalists and two of

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2 them, you have to understand, there are only
3 40 finalists throughout the country, two of
4 them are from Syosset, and Jericho High
5 School had 14 semifinalists.

6 I happened to have presented it
7 to them at their schools because they
8 couldn't make it here today. But I think
9 it's only fair as part of the record that we
10 honor that also.

11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you
12 very much, Legislator Jacobs.

13 Minority Leader Kevan.

14 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: Thank you,
15 Madam Presiding Officer, for recognizing our
16 point of personal privilege.

17 In the spirit of Black History
18 Month, in the spirit of recognizing so many
19 African-American leaders that have made so
20 many great contributions to this country, we
21 have decided to recognize some of the great
22 folks, some of the great African Americans
23 that have made great contributions right
24 here in Nassau County.

25 We have recognized eight

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2 individuals that have done noble and great
3 work. I'm going to ask each of our
4 legislators, in the spirit of trying to do
5 this as expediently as possible, I'm going
6 to ask some of our legislators to say some
7 quick things about the person that they're
8 recognizing and then we will go right down
9 to the bottom and hopefully we can start our
10 legislative meeting.

11 Being first, I would like to
12 recognize Nat Omerick (phonetic) who is a
13 detective sergeant here in the Nassau County
14 Police Department, and also who is a
15 neighbor of mine living around the corner in
16 Freeport, but Nat has been tremendous
17 towards not only protecting us on a daily
18 basis in the Nassau County Police
19 Department, but has been great in terms of
20 trying to lead the fight for diversity in
21 the Nassau County Police Department as well.

22 He has been a great role model
23 for our young people and for citizens as a
24 whole, and I just want to -- I have known
25 him for many many years in his days of the

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2 police department, and also has been
3 recently promoted, or I should say recently
4 assigned, to the Superior Officers
5 Association's, the union body's executive
6 board. So, he is making strides in many
7 different angles and I just want to
8 recognize his effort by giving him this
9 citation today.

10 I don't know if Nat is here. He
11 is. He's all the way in the back. I want
12 to thank you, Nat, for this tremendous --
13 just come and I'll meet you at the podium
14 and we'll take a quick picture again. Then
15 I will pass it on to Legislator Jacobs to
16 recognize her person. Thank you again.

17 LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Hi,
18 everybody. I'm sorry for the delay, but you
19 can understand, this is a really good day to
20 honor wonderful people and wonderful
21 students in our county and we are thrilled
22 to be able to do it.

23 I have the distinct privilege of
24 honoring Brittany C. Russell, who happens to
25 be an attorney in North Hempstead, and

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2 somebody who I had the distinct pleasure of
3 speaking to for a while over the weekend. I
4 was literally blown away by the fact that
5 she had such perseverance, is such a
6 terrific person, went through school
7 beautifully, became an attorney, and is
8 admired by so many people.

9 I know Liz Bockwin is here who
10 used to work in our county attorney's
11 office, and she's just -- her presence here
12 made me realize that she is honored also to
13 be working with Brittany. And, on this, it
14 says, it probably pertains, Brittany, to
15 you, and to a lot of other people here:

16 "Our lives are not determined by
17 what happens to us, but how we react to what
18 happens. Not by what life brings to us, but
19 by the attitude that we bring to life. A
20 positive attitude causes a chain reaction of
21 positive thoughts, events and outcomes. It
22 is a catalyst, a spark, that always brings
23 forth extraordinary results."

24 And you, my friend, are one of
25 those extraordinary results.

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2 Congratulations.

3 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
4 have the privilege of having a new district
5 and a new group of people. I would like to
6 ask Lynette Batts to come up to the podium.

7 Lynette has been the executive
8 director of the Littig House Community
9 Center since 1997. With over 20 years of
10 extensive work in community building,
11 education advocacy, and youth development,
12 Lynette feels fortunate to develop and
13 disseminate programs and resources for the
14 lives of the young children and their
15 families.

16 Basically, she's just involved
17 with pretty much every aspect of our
18 community, from being the vice president of
19 the Coalition of Nassau County Youth
20 Services to a member of the Community Voice
21 for Youth and Families, an advocate for
22 Fully Funded Responsible Systems for
23 Neighborhood Based Resources. She is a
24 power house from all the resources and
25 everything that I have heard about her.

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2 I understand you work closely
3 with my colleague and our former legislator,
4 Wayne Wink, especially, and would you mind
5 just coming up and just saying a few words?
6 Would you like to? Okay. I won't put you
7 on the spot, but, again, I look forward to
8 working with you and it's people like you
9 that gives us hope and makes everything
10 worthwhile. Thank you for all you have done
11 and I look forward to working with you in
12 the future as well.

13 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Good
14 afternoon, everyone. It is my honor today
15 to recognize and honor Ms. Barbara Thompson
16 from Inwood. Barbara, can you please stand
17 up? Barbara Thompson has been a community
18 resident of Inwood since 1968 and she has
19 also been a very active leader at the St.
20 John's Baptist Church in Inwood since 1988.
21 She has served as a clerk of that church and
22 she's often referred to as Sister T and Mama
23 T, and her most satisfying work and
24 challenging work has been helping the
25 community of Inwood and the surrounding five

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2 towns community. She is the coordinator of
3 the outreach family and community ministry.
4 During Storm Sandy, she played a pivotal
5 role in helping many people. Recently she
6 has mourned the passing of her mother who
7 has taught her much of these great important
8 lessons.

9 She is a loving mother, and, in
10 addition, she has served in various
11 positions throughout the Lawrence Public
12 School, certain positions, several board of
13 directors, and, in addition, has served with
14 the EOC of Nassau County. She does all her
15 work in God's honor and she has helped
16 countless people.

17 I recognize you today for Black
18 History Month. Black history is American
19 history and we thank you for all of your
20 service and your contributions to our
21 community. God bless you.

22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
23 Denenberg.

24 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Yes. On
25 behalf of the 19th Legislative District, our

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2 honoree is Claudia A. Swansey.

3 It's difficult to even know where
4 to begin when it comes to Claudia because
5 she is accomplished in so many respects.
6 Just to name a few, we've worked together
7 for many many years with the Woodward
8 Children's Center. Claudia is the senior
9 board member at the Woodward's Children
10 Center and she dedicates so much of her time
11 to the children that go to school there.
12 She is president of Roosevelt Lions
13 International. She is the founder of Rising
14 Families Foundation. She is a former
15 president of the Freeport Roosevelt NAACP.
16 Claudia grew up in Alabama, her earliest
17 childhood. She lived with her grandparents,
18 aunts, and uncles, very busy home, but she
19 remembers it as a happy and disciplined
20 environment.

21 She hated sports but loved to
22 read. She always studied high and studied
23 hard and was a spelling bee champion. She
24 was a member of the National Honor Society
25 and a student leader. Her aunt and teachers

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2 were highly influential, encouraged her to
3 pursue anything that interested her. Sunday
4 school teacher, she served as an usher and a
5 real leader in her church.

6 As a student, she marched with
7 her aunt who was driven to the ground by
8 water hoses and tear gas during the Civil
9 Rights' struggle. So you didn't sit by, you
10 were in front and center of those Civil
11 Right struggles and those marches, seeing
12 your loved ones actually suffer physically
13 during some of those protests.

14 As an undergraduate at Loyola,
15 you mixed academic excellence with student
16 government and community service and you
17 became involved with the work of the Order
18 of the Benedictine Nuns. During this time,
19 Claudia advocated for the homeless and
20 worked with the nuns to start Debra's Place
21 for homeless women. They were also able to
22 raise funds for the Howard Civic Association
23 in Evanston.

24 On the international front, you
25 worked as a member of Amnesty International

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2 to bring awareness to human rights,
3 particularly the issue of Apartheid in South
4 Africa. This organization was especially
5 influential in bringing to public awareness
6 the plight of Nelson Mandela and fought for
7 his freedom when he became the world's best
8 known political prisoner.

9 Subsequently, you worked as the
10 first female bank officer of the Great
11 American Federal Savings Bank. After
12 management training at the Financial
13 Institute of Banking, you managed two
14 branches in the prestigious downtown
15 locations in Chicago on North Michigan
16 Avenue and on Whacker Drive. Under
17 Claudia's management, both institutions were
18 among the highest ranked of more than 12
19 branches in this organization.

20 After the debacle involving
21 failed government regulations of the savings
22 and loan industry, Claudia's career headed
23 in another direction. She became executive
24 assistant and community liaison for the
25 Patrick and Anna Cudahy Fund. It was

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2 founded by Federal Circuit Court Judge
3 Richard Cudahy to honor his parents in this
4 philanthropic manner. The financial
5 structure of this fund was to distribute
6 between one and \$2 million to various
7 nonprofit organizations.

8 While Claudia worked with the
9 executive director of the fund, supported
10 numerous categories of projects, both on the
11 national and international level. Even
12 while employed, Claudia found the time to
13 work on political fronts organizing,
14 mobilizing and galvanizing votes for Harold
15 Washington, a Chicago mayor and congressman
16 from Illinois.

17 Later, Claudia joined a legion of
18 women supporters of Carol Moseley Braun, the
19 first Black female ever elected a United
20 States senator from Illinois. Claudia
21 cofounded the African American Think Tank
22 that worked to focus on local political
23 issues. Significantly, that Think Tank sent
24 a delegation from Chicago to monitor the
25 presidential election of Nelson Mandela, and

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2 Claudia was there when Mr. Mandela was
3 elected president.

4 Let me just conclude by naming
5 some of her awards: Freeport Roosevelt
6 NAACP Leadership Awards; 2007 Civil Rights
7 Forum at Adelphi University; 2009
8 Appreciation from the Woodward Children's
9 Center black women higher education, Adelphi
10 University, 75th Anniversary, NAACP, New
11 York State Conference, former president
12 award. President of the year, 2011, 2012,
13 District 20K, Lion's Club International.

14 Claudia, you are amazing and we
15 are lucky to have you. Thank you.

16 MS. SWANSEY: Thank you.

17 LEGISLATOR CURRAN: Hi. On
18 behalf of the Fifth Legislative District, it
19 is my honor to honor Anthony Miller. I knew
20 that Anthony Miller had deep roots and a
21 strong commitment to Freeport. I knew that
22 this third generation Freeporter, was a
23 proud 2001 graduate of Freeport High School
24 and is now a trustee on the Freeport Board
25 of Education. But, what I have subsequently

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2 learned is that if there is a municipal or
3 civic group in Freeport, he has either been
4 on it or is currently in it.

5 He is a member of Freeport Cares
6 and has worked with Freeport Pride. The
7 youth department of Zion Cathedral and
8 Emanuel District Youth Advisory Board.

9 He was on the executive board of
10 the Freeport Roosevelt NAACP and served as
11 director of Senior Citizen Affairs at the
12 Freeport Rec. He currently serves for the
13 Commission for the Environment in Freeport
14 and the Freeport Traffic Safety Commission
15 and is secretary to the zoning board for the
16 Village of Freeport, zoning Board of
17 Appeals, that is.

18 He served on the North Main
19 Street Revitalization Steering Committee and
20 is a tireless advocate of economic
21 development in Freeport.

22 All this while working in the
23 insurance industry. He's also a really
24 kind, calm, warm, and down to earth guy, and
25 it is my honor to be his friend and to give

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2 him this award.

3 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: On behalf
4 of Legislative District 10, I would like to
5 invite Leslie House to the podium, please.

6 Leslie, you have been on the
7 North Hempstead Housing Authority Board and
8 you have been a tenant representative for
9 the LP Properties, Spinahoe Homes, Pineview
10 Homes, Harbor Homes and Laurel Homes for the
11 last couple of years. Leslie, you are
12 responsible for running all the parties and
13 events for the tenants, and you help to
14 resolve all tenant issues. I know how much
15 you really enjoy your role there and you
16 have a great relationship with all the
17 tenants. You also served as the tenant rep
18 for the senior buildings.

19 And, in addition, you are a
20 volunteer for the Manhasset/Great Neck EOC
21 Summer Programs, After-School Programs, and
22 Girl Scouts, so thank you so much for all
23 you do.

24 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: On behalf of
25 Legislative District 2, I have the honor of

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2 awarding Dr. Irene Betty Hilton, a citation
3 this afternoon.

4 Dr. Irene Betty Hilton
5 affectionately known as Dr. Betty has taught
6 in the Westbury School District for 22
7 years. While working in the school
8 district, Dr. Betty returned to college and
9 received her PhD in education. Dr. Betty
10 lives the mantra that we must make a
11 difference in the lives of our youth in our
12 community.

13 Dr. Betty has served on the North
14 Shore Child and Family Guidance Advisory
15 Council. She is also the past president of
16 the Westbury NAACP. She serves on the board
17 of 100 Black Women for Nassau and Suffolk.
18 She's also a very active member of an
19 officer of the a/k/a Pi Omega Chapter. She
20 is also a member of the Greater League of
21 Women Voters, and also serves with New
22 Cassel Community Partnership Association.

23 I have had the privilege to work
24 with Dr. Hilton on many of her initiatives
25 that has served the senior community and the

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2 school district of the Westbury community
3 for many years. I have personally been the
4 beneficiary of her labor.

5 So, it's with great pride and
6 honor that I applaud Dr. Betty Hilton this
7 afternoon for all of her efforts and the
8 work she has done in our community. Thank
9 you.

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: First of
11 all, before we begin the public
12 participation, I would like to say thank you
13 to all of those who were recognized today
14 for the service that they have performed in
15 their communities.

16 Of course, I thank all of the
17 African-Americans who have contributed to
18 the growth and the diversity of this nation.

19 So, in honor of Black History
20 Month, congratulations to each and every one
21 of you. I know that there are so many of
22 you who are extremely worthy out there.

23 So, without any further ado, I am
24 going to ask for public participation at
25 this point, I'm going to turn the mike over

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2 to Deputy Presiding Officer Richard
3 Nicolello.

4 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Joanne
5 Borden.

6 MS. BORDEN: Things turned around
7 a little bit today. I once again urge you
8 to pass the Gender Clarification Law. You
9 owe all people protection from
10 discrimination, and transgender people are
11 people. A basic principle of our country is
12 to protect minorities from the majority and
13 you are not doing that. You are ignoring
14 it.

15 I presented fact after fact and
16 quoted many experts in medicine, medical
17 science, and psychology, that testified that
18 transgenderism is not a behavior, it is
19 inborn. We never asked for it but we got it
20 anyhow. There's another group the new law
21 would protect.

22 Those that do not portray the
23 stereotype expected of their sex, we call it
24 gender expression. If you understand you're
25 not the most feminine woman there is, or the

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2 most macho guy alive, you should be able to
3 understand that there are women who are less
4 feminine and men who are less masculine
5 also. They do not fit their sex stereotype
6 deliberately, nor are they gay or
7 transgender people, yet, they experience the
8 same discrimination as transgender people.

9 In Price Waterhouse V Hopkins, a
10 woman who was next in line, and
11 unquestionably qualified for a promotion,
12 was passed over and told to wear jewelry,
13 makeup, and told to take a charm course.

14 Samenya, a South African woman,
15 won the 800 meter gold medal in the women's
16 race in Berlin in 2009. She had a low voice
17 and was somewhat masculine looking, whatever
18 that is. Her validity to compete as a woman
19 was challenged. She spent almost a year
20 having officials investigate her sex.
21 During that time she lost about a quarter of
22 a million dollars in endorsements and
23 appearances.

24 Both women and men are regularly
25 discriminated against in all walks of life

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2 because they do not display the stereotype
3 that other people expect. They are people
4 also.

5 You owe all people protection
6 from discrimination in employment, housing,
7 and other life necessities including health
8 care.

9 Pass the Gender Clarification Law
10 and protect us all from discrimination.
11 Pass it now. Thank you for listening.

12 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Thank you.
13 Dennis Jones.

14 MR. JONES: Good afternoon,
15 legislators. Thank you for giving me the
16 opportunity to speak.

17 This is truly a great time where
18 we can see that we're celebrating our youth.
19 We're also celebrating African-American
20 residents in Nassau, and we were able to
21 install a new legislator this morning. So,
22 this is a great day.

23 I'm standing before you as the
24 President of the Hempstead Chamber of
25 Commerce and I'm looking to just re-engage

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2 you in the thought of helping to keep our
3 community united. In Hempstead, we are
4 working to unite a community that hasn't
5 been able to work together to succeed
6 together and bring in development resources.

7 When district lines are divided
8 in our communities, it hurts our business
9 owners. It makes it harder for us to work
10 together to bring in resources. It hurts
11 our economic growth. It hurts our
12 communities. It hurts our towns, our
13 villages. It hurts Nassau County.

14 So I need you to take action on
15 fair redistricting because Long Island's
16 business owners need your help.

17 We need to know that we are able
18 to partner with our elected officials to
19 help our economies succeed. When we are
20 split into two or three districts, as
21 sometimes four, as you know, it makes our
22 job harder and it makes the economy harder.
23 It divides our residents. It divides our
24 businesses.

25 We are asking only that you would

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2 reconsider that you would take a serious
3 look and that you would find a smarter and
4 business friendly way of the redistricting
5 process in Nassau County.

6 I thank you for your time.

7 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Thank you,
8 Mr. Jones. Mr. Steve McFarland.

9 MR. McFARLAND: Good afternoon,
10 everyone. So, thanks again, for the
11 opportunity. We just wanted to come and
12 give you a quick update and not mobilize
13 again. But, I wanted you to have a chance
14 to hear if from Dennis, and the Hempstead
15 Chamber represents a 123 businesses just in
16 Hempstead.

17 To update you all on the work of
18 our campaign, we have been very pleased to
19 sit down with both caucuses in the last
20 couple of weeks, and we're excited, happy to
21 see a tone of openness and readiness to get
22 to work. I'm just here to say that we are
23 ready to get to work. As grass root
24 advocates, as good government groups, we've
25 sort of got one foot in the ideal, but we're

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2 ready to start to move into the real.

3 In the last month, we were here
4 last month, to release that report. Since
5 then, we have been building with community
6 groups. The leadership has been getting
7 these postcards. More of these are going in
8 the mail today as we continue to see the
9 grass roots piece of this bill, then people
10 will remember how important this issue was,
11 as you just heard from Dennis, to folks who
12 own businesses, folks who are trying to get
13 their pothole fix, and see their communities
14 revitalized.

15 That message is spreading. In
16 today's Newsday, there's an ap-ed from Alex
17 Asencsia, a Communities for Change member,
18 and Nancy Rosenthal with the League of Women
19 Voters of Nassau County, again, making this
20 case. And we will be continuing to build
21 that effort as we speak to lion's clubs and
22 rotary clubs and spread the word from north
23 to south and east to west in Nassau County.

24 We are really looking forward to
25 rolling up sleeves and getting to work with

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2 both sides, not just the ideal that's in the
3 report, but some real legislation that we
4 might be able to start to move.

5 That's all I have. Thank you.

6 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you,
7 Steven.

8 MR. McFARLAND: Thanks everybody.

9 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Jack
10 McCloy.

11 MR. McCLOY: Good afternoon,
12 members of the legislature. I'm Jack
13 McCloy. I live in Baldwin. I hope you
14 remember that I addressed the Nassau County
15 Legislature during the January 27th session
16 to inform you about the unethical conduct
17 regarding a member of this body.

18 Laura Curran, the legislator from
19 the Fifth Legislative District continues to
20 act as the president of the Baldwin School
21 Board in violation of the Nassau County
22 Charter, Section 104, paragraph two, which
23 states in part, no county legislator shall
24 hold any other public office. I thought by
25 bringing this to the attention of senior

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2 legislative members of her party during the
3 last legislative session, Laura would
4 receive the guidance that she apparently
5 lacks and resigns from the school board.
6 But, that did not happen. Laura Curran
7 shared chaired another meeting of the
8 Baldwin School Board on January 29th. It is
9 obvious that she is willfully ignoring the
10 Nassau County Charter, so I filed a formal
11 complaint with the Nassau County Board of
12 Ethics on January 31st.

13 On February 10th, I was notified
14 that the Nassau County Board of Ethics has
15 determined that reasonable cause exists to
16 proceed with a hearing to determine whether
17 the Nassau County Code of Ethics was
18 violated by Laura Curran's concurrent
19 holding of the offices of county legislator
20 and president of the school board.

21 Still defiant, Laura Curran also
22 subsequently chaired another meeting of the
23 Baldwin School Board on February 12th. At
24 that meeting, I, again, reminded Laura that
25 holding both offices simultaneously is a

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2 violation of the Nassau County Charter, yet,
3 she dismissed my complaint and vowed to
4 continue to remain on the board.

5 Although I expect that the Nassau
6 County Board of Ethics will handle the
7 complaint appropriately, I did bring this
8 matter to the attention of the members of
9 the legislature again with the hope that the
10 situation can be expedited.

11 Many important Baldwin School
12 Board matters are pending including the
13 selection of a new superintendent, and votes
14 by an ineligible individual creates serious
15 complications and potential damaging
16 financial issues.

17 I hope Laura does not embarrass
18 herself further and realizes that her
19 defiance of the Nassau County Charter makes
20 her seem either arrogant or ignorant.

21 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you,
22 Mr. McCloy. There are no other public
23 comments and we will progress with the
24 agenda for today's calendar.

25 I'm going to call one item out of

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2 order primarily because it's an appointment
3 that is -- at this point, the individual has
4 been here for a while and, in all due
5 courtesy, I'm going to call Item 28,
6 Resolution 22-2014, a resolution to confirm
7 the county executive's appointment of
8 Michael A. Rodin to the Industrial
9 Development Agency. Before we begin,
10 Legislator Kopel will recuse himself.

11 A motion, please.

12 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

13 LEGISLATOR BECKER: Second.

14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
15 Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator
16 Becker. Anything that you would like to say
17 to us today?

18 MR. RODIN: I would just like to
19 thank the county executive for the
20 appointment and the consideration from the
21 legislature.

22 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you,
23 Michael. Any comments regarding Mr. Rodin's
24 appointment? Legislator Ford.

25 LEGISLATOR FORD: I would like to

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2 congratulate you on being appointed, and
3 your willingness to accept this role. I'm
4 happy that we are continuing with union
5 representation on this very important board
6 in Nassau County.

7 MR. RODIN: Yes, I'm looking
8 forward to carrying it on. Thank you.

9 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
10 Denenberg, do you have something?

11 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: I just
12 know you know from around town. You are one
13 of my constituents. We live in the same
14 area and I just really want to congratulate
15 you and I know that you are going to do a
16 great job because you put everything into
17 it, so thanks very much.

18 MR. RODIN: Thanks very much.

19 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
20 comments from the legislators?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 Is there any public comment?

23 (No verbal response.)

24 There being none, all those in
25 favor of Resolution 22, the appointment of

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2 Michael Rodin to the IDA signify by saying
3 aye.

4 (Aye.)

5 Any opposed?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 Mr. Rodin, you are unanimously
8 approved. Congratulations.

9 MR. RODIN: Thank you.

10 Will Legislator Kopel please join
11 us. Let it be noted that Mr. Kopel has
12 joined us.

13 With the consent of the minority,
14 we have several items that will be called at
15 once. If anyone has any comments regarding
16 these, I will take them as soon as the items
17 are called. Item 3, Ordinance 9, all 2014,
18 Item 4, Ordinance 10; Item 5, Ordinance 11;
19 Item 6, Ordinance 12; Item 7, Ordinance 13;
20 Item 8, Ordinance 14; Item 9, Ordinance 15;
21 Item 10, Ordinance 16; Item 11, Ordinance
22 17; Item 12, Ordinance 18; Item 18,
23 Ordinance 19; Item 14, Ordinance 20; Item
24 15, Ordinance 21; Item 17, Ordinance 23;
25 Item 18, Ordinance 24; Item 19, Ordinance

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2 25; Item 20, Resolution 14; Item 21,
3 Resolution 15; Item 25, Resolution 19; Item
4 27, Resolution 21; Item 29, Resolution 23;
5 Item 30, Resolution 24; Item 31, Resolution
6 25; Item 32, Resolution 26; Item 33,
7 Resolution 27; Item 34, Resolution 28; Item
8 35, Resolution 29.

9 Motion, please.

10 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

11 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.

12 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
13 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
14 Walker. Any comments regarding any of these
15 items?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 Is there any public comment?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 There being none, all those in
20 favor signify by saying aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 Any opposed?

23 (No verbal response.)

24 The items pass unanimously.

25 We go back to the calendar with

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2 Item 1, which is a hearing on a proposed
3 local law, 2014, a local law to establish a
4 revolving fund for the Nassau County
5 Emergency Solutions Grant Program.

6 Motion to open the hearing,
7 please.

8 A motion, please.

9 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

10 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.

11 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
12 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
13 Nicolello. Anyone here to speak regarding
14 this item,

15 MR. SARCONE: John Sarcone,
16 director of housing for Nassau County.

17 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Welcome,
18 John.

19 MR. SARCONE: Hi, how are you?
20 Good afternoon. The ESG program is designed
21 to provide homeless prevention to households
22 who would otherwise become homeless and
23 provide assistance to rapidly house
24 individuals. The local law would establish
25 a revolving fund that would allow the Office

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2 of Housing and Community Development to
3 disburse grant funds with this program
4 quickly.

5 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any
6 questions of Mr. Sarcone?

7 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

8 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: How
9 would someone go about pursuing the
10 assistance of this department?

11 MR. SARCONE: Well, we do all the
12 screening in-house but we collaborate with
13 the Department of Social Services and we
14 take referrals.

15 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Do
16 you do any type of advertising, how do you
17 make yourself aware?

18 MR. SARCONE: We do. We do
19 weekly continuance of care with the Homeless
20 Prevention Society, we make announcements,
21 as well as, I believe when our action plan
22 got approved, it was in Newsday as a public
23 record.

24 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Do,
25 you, yourself go around and speak to other

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2 community leaders or anything to inform them
3 of this?

4 MR. SARCONE: Well, we have what
5 we call a continuum of care that meets
6 biweekly and we make announcements at that
7 meeting, those consisting of not-for-profits
8 as well as other governmental organizations.

9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: All
10 right. I think those are very positive
11 things especially if we can keep people in
12 their homes and not have to deal with other
13 levels. Thanks.

14 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
15 Solages.

16 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Thank you
17 very much, Madam Chairwoman. Can you just
18 tell me the problem of homelessness, the
19 issue of homelessness in Nassau County, how
20 many homeless people do we suspect?

21 MR. SARCONE: This program not
22 only addresses the homeless population for
23 which we have actual homeless shelters, but
24 we are trying to stop the homelessness
25 before it gets there.

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2 If we can pick up a couple of
3 months of assistance, this program also goes
4 to utilities, but that bulk of it gets paid
5 from DSS. So this is, actually, taking a
6 step prior to becoming homeless.

7 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Do you have
8 an estimate of how many persons are homeless
9 in Nassau County?

10 MR. SARCONE: Not off the top of
11 my head but that number is fluid.

12 LEGISLATOR SOLAGES: Thank you.

13 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
14 legislator? Legislator Bynoe.

15 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Good
16 afternoon. Can this program be combined
17 with the Housing Choice Voucher program, in
18 other words, if a family is becoming
19 homeless by way of the homeless -- I'm
20 sorry, the Housing Choice Voucher program,
21 could this, in fact, supplement their
22 program assistance?

23 MR. SARCONE: What you are
24 referring to, because the Housing Choice
25 Voucher program does require participants to

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2 put their own money, the best way I can
3 explain it, it doesn't exclude them from
4 coming for assistance. It doesn't exclude
5 them.

6 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: So if a
7 Housing Choice Voucher participant was in
8 fact didn't have utilities or they were in
9 jeopardy of becoming homeless because of for
10 whatever reason they failed to pay their 30
11 percent of the rent, they could tap into
12 this program?

13 MR. SARCONE: Absolutely.

14 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Okay.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Legislator
16 Walker.

17 LEGISLATOR WALKER: I did take
18 the opportunity to thank you, Mr. Sarcone,
19 at committee meetings, but I just want to
20 thank you and your department for all you've
21 I know any time we reach out to you in an
22 emergency situation, you do all you can to
23 help the constituents, so I just want to
24 thank you all for that publically.

25 MR. SARCONE: You're very kind,

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2 thanks.

3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
4 legislators?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 Is there any public comment?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 There being none, a motion to
9 close the hearing, please.

10 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: So moved.

11 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.

12 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
13 Legislator Nicolello, seconded by Legislator
14 Muscarella. All those in favor of closing
15 the hearing signify by saying aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 Any opposed?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 The hearing is now closed.

20 Item 2 on the calendar is a
21 proposed local law 2014, a local law to
22 establish a revolving fund for the Nassau
23 County Emergency Solutions Grant Program.

24 A motion, please.

25 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

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2 LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.

3 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
4 Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator
5 Nicolello.

6 Any comments from the
7 legislators?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 Is there any public comment?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 There being none, all those in
12 favor of Proposed Local Law 2014, Item 2 on
13 the calendar signify by saying aye.

14 (Aye.)

15 Any opposed?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 The item passes unanimously.

18 MR. SARCONE: Thank you.

19 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Thank you
20 very much, Mr. Sarcone.

21 Next is Item 22 on the calendar,
22 Resolution 16, a resolution authorizing the
23 county executive to execute an
24 intermunicipal agreement with the Uniondale
25 Free School District in relation to

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2 renovating the boy's locker room at
3 Uniondale High School.

4 A motion, please.

5 LEGISLATOR ABRAHAMS: So moved.

6 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.

7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
8 Legislator Abrahams, seconded by Legislator
9 Walker. Any comments regarding this item?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 Is there any public comment?

12 (No verbal response.)

13 There being none, all those in
14 favor of Item 22, Resolution 16 signify by
15 saying aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 Any opposed?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 The item passes unanimously.

20 The next item is Item 24,
21 Resolution 18, and Mr. Denenberg has asked
22 to be recused. It's a resolution
23 authorizing the county executive to execute
24 an agreement between the County of Nassau
25 acting on behalf of the Nassau County

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2 Department of Public Works and Glenn Harbor
3 Partners, L.L.C.

4 A motion, please.

5 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

6 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Second.

7 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
8 Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator
9 Dunne. Any comments regarding this item?
10 Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton.

11 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: As I
12 expect in committees, I do think this
13 project will not only help with the
14 development itself, which is always a
15 positive, but the fact that the sewer line
16 is now going from Glennwood Landing up
17 Prospect Avenue through Sea Cliff back down
18 to the Glen Cove Sewage Treatment Plant will
19 enable hopefully in the future some hookup
20 from like the Main Street in Sea Cliff which
21 would really help the economy there.

22 Sea Cliff right now actually has
23 some septic systems in the basement of some
24 of those buildings and I really would love
25 to see that at least come to fruition.

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2 So thank you very much and I
3 think it's a very positive move.

4 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Any other
5 legislators?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 Is there any public comment?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 There being none, all those in
10 favor of Item 24 signify by saying aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 Any opposed?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 The item passes unanimously. Mr.
15 Denenberg, you may return.

16 Item 26, Resolution 20, a
17 resolution making certain determinations
18 pursuant to the State Environmental Quality
19 Review Act and authoring the county
20 executive on behalf of the County of Nassau
21 to execute a lease between the County of
22 Nassau as tenant and Steel-Los III limited
23 partnership as landlord in connection with
24 the leasing of certain space located in the
25 building known as and by street address 700

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2 Hicksville Road, Bethpage, Town of Oyster
3 Bay, County of Nassau, State of New York,
4 said property known as Section 46, Block
5 323, Part of lot 259A on the land and tax
6 map of the County of Nassau.

7 A motion, please.

8 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: So moved.

9 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.

10 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
11 Legislator Dunne, seconded by Legislator
12 Walker. Any comments regarding the item?
13 We have heard it in committee, do we need
14 any additional information?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 If not, is there any public
17 comment?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 There being none, all those in
20 favor of Item 26, Resolution 20 signify by
21 saying aye.

22 (Aye.)

23 Any opposed?

24 (No verbal response.)

25 The item passes unanimously. I

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2 believe that's the end of the calendar, and
3 I believe that today, I don't know, I
4 thought we were going to be here later, but
5 I --

6 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
7 just have one quick request. I just
8 noticed, and it's no longer my district,
9 it's Legislator McKenzie's district, but the
10 last time on committees, there was something
11 for West Shore Road which I know was
12 postponed or taken off the calendar so I
13 would just hope that that would be put back
14 on as soon as possible. Thank you.

15 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: It will be
16 on the next calendar. A motion to adjourn.
17 A motion, please.

18 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

19 LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Second.

20 CHAIRWOMAN GONSALVES: Moved by
21 Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator
22 Dunne. All those in favor of adjourning,
23 signify by saying aye.

24 (Aye.)

25 Any opposed?

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2 (No verbal response.)

3 The meeting is adjourned. I

4 thank you one and all.

5 (Whereupon, the Full Legislative

6 Committee adjourned at 2:52 p.m.)

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I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby stated:

THAT I attended at the time and place above mentioned and took stenographic record of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter;

THAT the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate transcript of the same and the whole thereof, according to the best of my ability and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of March, 2014.

FRANK GRAY