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## Legislator Low-Hogan Sponsors Big Brothers Big Sisters 2015 Mentor/Mentee Graduation Ceremony

New City, NY (June 25, 2015) Rockland County Legislator Nancy Low-Hogan recently held a special ceremony in the Legislature's chambers in honor of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rockland's 2015 Mentor/Mentee Graduating Class. Graduation certificates were presented to the eight graduates and their mentors.

The mentor/mentee program is a one-to-one relationship program that matches children in need with an adult mentor who acts as a positive role model to help children build trusting friendships, engage in meaningful conversations and activities, and to realize their self-worth and potential. National and local studies show that children who have role models are more likely to improve in school and in their relationships with family and friends, and less likely to skip school or use illegal drugs or alcohol.

Legislator Low-Hogan is the Legislature's liaison to the organization. "Big Brothers Big Sisters is one of the most important nonprofit organizations in our county," said Low-Hogan. "The agency does extremely important work, one child at a time. The mentors change the lives of these children through positive and nurturing interaction. This graduation ceremony is an opportunity to congratulate these young adults who have successfully finished the program and sincerely thank those who mentor them."

Chairman of the Legislature Alden H. Wolfe said, "We have great faith in the good work of Big Brothers Big Sisters. Their value as a contract agency for the County is immeasurable in the positive impact that their work has upon youth and families."

(See Photo Attached - Legislators Low-Hogan and Cornell with Mentor/Mentee Class of 2015)

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