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Know a *Super Senior*? Nominate Him or Her for Legislator D'Amaro's Senior Citizen of the Year Award

(HUNTINGTON STATION, NY... January 20, 2015) –Suffolk County Legislator Lou D'Amaro (D-Huntington Station) is currently accepting nominations for his 17th Legislative District Senior Citizen of the Year Award. If you know of someone over the age of 60 who lives in one of the communities covered by Legislator D'Amaro's district and has enhanced the lives of older residents in Suffolk County as an advocate, role model, leader or volunteer, here's an opportunity for you to give him or her the acknowledgment they deserve.

The 2014 District 17 Senior Citizen of the Year was Clara Abbatiello of Melville, a dedicated and beloved volunteer in the New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities Senior Companion Program. The senior citizen selected for this year's District 17 award will be recognized by Legislator D'Amaro and then submitted for the honor of 2015 Suffolk County Senior Citizen of the Year, an award presented by the Suffolk County Office for the Aging and the Suffolk County Senior Citizens Advisory Board. The County award will be presented at the Senior Celebration Luncheon in May.

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Residents in District 17, which encompasses parts of Huntington, Huntington Station, South Huntington, Melville, West Hills, Cold Spring Hills, Dix Hills, Deer Park, North Babylon and West Babylon, can nominate someone they know age 60 or over by submitting a short essay listing the individual's contributions and stating why they believe this person is worthy of recognition. Self-nominations are also encouraged. Essays can be emailed to Karen.Klafter@suffolkcountyny.gov or sent via mail or fax to Legislator D'Amaro's District Office, 130 West Jericho Turnpike, Huntington Station, NY 11746, Fax (631) 854-4415. For more information, call (631) 854-4433. **Deadline for submissions is Feb. 13, 2015.**

"Today's senior citizens are vibrant, enthusiastic and giving adults who remain active in their communities and regularly enhance the lives of others," said Legislator D'Amaro. "I always look forward to honoring a local 'super senior' and encourage everyone to submit nominations."

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Suffolk County Legislator Lou D'Amaro represents the 17th Legislative District, which includes parts of Huntington, Huntington Station, South Huntington, Melville, West Hills, Cold Spring Hills, Dix Hills, Deer Park, North Babylon and West Babylon. He is chairman of the Budget & Finance committee and a member of the Education & Information Technology and Human Services committees of the Suffolk County Legislature.