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**CITY OF WHITE PLAINS YOUTH BUREAU IN COLLABORATION WITH THE
WHITE PLAINS SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY
3RD ANNUAL STEAM AWARDS RECOGNITION**

White Plains, NY – June 7, 2018. The White Plains Youth Bureau in collaboration with the White Plains School District and the Environmental Justice Division of the New York Power Authority (NYPA), will hold its 3rd Annual STEAM Awards Recognition on Thursday, June 14.

The event will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the Jaguar Room of the NYPA building at 123 Main Street. Kimberly Harriman, Senior VP, Public and Regulatory Affairs, NYPA, will speak at the ceremony.

The program honors teachers from the White Plains School District and community leaders for providing instruction and inspiring youth to excel in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM). The honorees are Dana Pompa, computer technology teacher (Eastview Middle School); Christine Ciofalo, media specialist (Highlands Middle School); and Michael Chiariello, art teacher (White Plains High School). Other honorees include Dr. Madelyn Feder, STEAM instructor (White Plains Youth Bureau Real G.I.R.L.S. Academy) and Carolyn Koonce, research intake associate (Saint Peter's Hospital).

This year, the program will also recognize several youth: Juliana Ramirez Euyoque will receive the Outstanding Youth of the Year Award, Madison Sabater, Alexis Tighe and Aurora Torres will be honored for their 1st place win in the Youth Bureau's Annual STEAM Fair Competition.

White Plains Mayor Tom Roach said, "It's important that our city play a critical role in shaping the minds of our youth for 21st century jobs. Many jobs in the future will be STEAM related. It starts in our schools supported by our community partners and private sector businesses."

"Today's awardees understand the importance of a STEAM education and how key it is for students who want to prepare for future career opportunities," said Lisa Wansley, Vice President of Environmental Justice and Sustainability, New York Power Authority. "Being able to create engaging and interactive lessons that show youngsters how math and science subjects connect with the real world is a gift. Each of the educational and community leaders being honored, as well as the students who serve as role models for their peers, deserve to be recognized for doing their part to create a skilled, motivated and diverse 21st century workforce."