LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Rabbi Rami Strosberg upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Gemilut Chasadim Award by Congregation Beth Israel

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging its esteemed residents who have distinguished themselves in their community; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Rami Strosberg will be recognized with a prestigious Gemilut Chasadim Award during a dinner at Congregation Beth Israel on May 5, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Growing up in Congregation Beth Israel, Rabbi Strosberg was active in the National Conference of Synagogue Youth, taught music at Temple Israel, served as Music Director at Camp Givah, and managed the Strosberg Boys Band; and

WHEREAS, He attended the Hebrew Academy of the Capital District and Niskayuna High School; he studied for two years at Yeshivat Hakotel and later earned a bachelors in psychology from Yeshiva University, S'micha at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, and Masters in Jewish Education at the Azrieli Graduate School of Jewish Education and Administration at Yeshiva University; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Strosberg taught at the Ramaz School in Manhattan and performed with and led a variety of Jewish Simcha Bands; he has brought Jewish music to Israel, Guatemala, and South Africa; and

WHEREAS, He was hired as Judaic Studies Principal at the Hebrew Academy of the Capital District in 2007; one year later, he was promoted to Head of School; and

WHEREAS, In this position, Rabbi Strosberg participated in a two-year Day School Leadership Training Institute sponsored by the Avi Chai Foundation; and

WHEREAS, He has given generously of his time and kindness to Congregation Beth Israel and Congregation Beth Abraham Jacob as mentor, cantor and hospitable host to visitors and newcomers; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Strosberg and his loving wife, Debbie Greene, are the proud parents of Elnatan, Leor, and Eliav; and

WHEREAS, He has exhibited the true spirit of the Gemilut Chasadim Award through his extraordinary dedication to Congregation Beth Israel; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Rabbi Rami Strosberg upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Gemilut Chasadim Award by Congregation Beth Israel; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rabbi Rami Strosberg.