

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers and paying tribute to Philip J. Katz, who is retiring in June 2013 and will be honored at the organization's Annual Awards and Dinner Dance on June 18, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge organizations and individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in this great State; and

WHEREAS, The result of many individual efforts, the excellence and the success of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District are due in large part to the efforts of Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers and its members, several of whom are retiring in 2013; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers organization and to pay tribute to Philip J. Katz, Social Studies Teacher at Mephram High School, in recognition of his years of distinguished service to the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District and its students; and

WHEREAS, Philip J. Katz will be honored at the Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers' Annual Awards and Anniversary Dinner Dance, to be held at the Woodbury Country Club in Woodbury, New York, on June 18, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Philip J. Katz has demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered by the district for the benefit of its faculty and students, as well as for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, In completing his service, Philip J. Katz leaves behind more than bricks and mortar, he leaves behind a legacy to the residents of the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District community and to future generations of its students; and

WHEREAS, On Tuesday, June 18, 2013, Philip J. Katz's family, friends, and colleagues will gather to honor him and to wish him well in his retirement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Bellmore-Merrick United Secondary Teachers organization and to pay tribute to Philip J. Katz for his significant contributions to education in Bellmore-Merrick, Long Island, and New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Philip J. Katz.