LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Edie Katz upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Friends of Sands Point Preserve at its Gold Gala on May 4, 2013

WHEREAS, Individuals who distinguish themselves in their profession or in service to their community merit the highest commendation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its longstanding tradition, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Edie Katz upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Friends of Sands Point Preserve at its Gold Gala, to be held at the Hempstead House on May 4, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Well-known as one of the "Bee Whisperers of the Gold Coast," Edie Katz has served the community through her leadership roles in many organizations, including the Sands Point Garden Club, the Port Washington Library Foundation Board, Temple Beth Israel and the Nassau County Museum of Art; and

WHEREAS, Edie Katz is a life-long resident of Long Island, dedicated to family life, healthcare, and an extraordinary level of community service; she raised her family of four children in Port Washington, where she has resided since 1972; and

WHEREAS, Edie Katz's professional career began as a nurse's aide and went on to include registered nurse in OB-GYN, the Newborn Nursery, and Labor and Delivery at Syosset Hospital; she then worked as a registered operating room nurse at St. Francis and Long Island Jewish Hospitals; and

WHEREAS, Her extensive volunteer work includes leadership roles in organizations across many fields of community service; Edie Katz is a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple Beth Israel and a current Board Member and Past President of the Sands Point Garden Club where she developed and helped run the Annual Tasting & Tour at the Helen Keller Sensory Garden for the Deaf and Blind; and

WHEREAS, Edie Katz is also a member of the Port Washington Library Foundation Board and is the past and present Chairman of its very successful Annual Galas; she is, in addition, a member of the Cow Neck Historical Society and a past Associate Trustee of the Nassau County Museum of Art; and

WHEREAS, She is a natural childbirth doula; her personal interests span poetry writing, knitting, painting, the study of historical buildings and museums, bird watching - and mothering, and natural childbirth and, she is currently a Licensed Associate Real Estate Broker with Laffey Fine Homes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Edie Katz upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Friends of Sands Point Preserve at its Gold Gala on May 4, 2013; and be it further

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