LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Steven G. Pavlakis upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Medical Leadership Award by the Aleh Foundation

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Steven G. Pavlakis upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Medical Leadership Award by the Aleh Foundation, to be celebrated at its 29th Anniversary Awards Dinner Ceremony on Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steven G. Pavlakis has dedicated his life to serve the disabled population and has been deeply moved by the wonderful work done at the Aleh Centers; he is Director for the Center for Brain and Behavior at Maimonides Infants and Children's Hospital, and is Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics at Mount Sinai School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pavlakis earned both his BS degree in biology and an MD at Brown University; he later completed his Pediatric and Neurology training at Colombia-Presbyterian Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dr. Pavlakis is board certified in pediatrics, neurology with special competency in pediatric neurology, and neurodevelopment disabilities; he was appointed the chief scientific officer of the Maimonides Medical Center which included a fully functional animal laboratory, wet labs, and a clinical trials unit; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Pavlakis was a founding member of the International Pediatric Stroke Study (IPSS), a data set that has enrolled over 2000 stroke children; his recent interests involve pediatric hypertension and the effects on the vasculature; he has over 100 publications and has chaired National Institutes of Health study sections and has often served as a consultant to government, public and private agencies; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Dr. Steven G. Pavlakis' distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Steven G. Pavlakis upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Medical Leadership Award by the Aleh Foundation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Steven G. Pavlakis.