

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Naomi and David Kaszovitz upon the occasion of their designation as the Guests of Honor at the 32nd Annual Dinner of Young Israel of Lawrence-Cedarhurst on April 14, 2013

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in the Empire State are greatly enriched by the faithful and generous service of those who devote themselves to endeavors of family, faith and community; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend individuals of such magnanimous conduct and bearing who demonstrate a deep and continuing concern for others, and in so doing, inspire others to do the same; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Naomi and David Kaszovitz upon the occasion of their designation as the Guests of Honor at the 32nd Annual Dinner of Young Israel of Lawrence-Cedarhurst, to be held at Congregation Beth Sholom in Lawrence on Sunday, April 14, 2013; and

WHEREAS, In honoring Naomi and David Kaszovitz, Young Israel of Lawrence-Cedarhurst (YILC) recognizes a couple who have a long association with the synagogue and pays fitting tribute to them for their tireless efforts on behalf of the shul and the community; and

WHEREAS, Naomi and David Kaszovitz have been an integral part of Young Israel of Lawrence-Cedarhurst since their arrival in the community from Forest Hills in 1993 with two, at the time, small children, Alex and Sarah; at the time the shul was in the midst of Project Nativim, adding what is now its main sanctuary and its ballroom, the backbone of the shul; and

WHEREAS, Rather than sit on the sidelines, David Kaszovitz quickly got involved with the shul; no job was too small or too large for him; he served as Gabbai, Ritual Chairman, Vice President and then as the shul's President for three years; during his presidency Project Chazak, encompassing the construction of three new batei midrash and a youth center, were in progress and, following the completion of his presidency, he served as Chairman of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Naomi Kaszovitz also became very involved in the synagogue and gave considerable time to its Sisterhood, serving as programming chairperson and on several committees, including the hospitality and youth committees and, she later served a two year term as President of the Sisterhood; and

WHEREAS, David Kaszovitz grew up in Far Rockaway and is a graduate of HALB, MTA, Queens College and the New York University School of Business from which he earned his Master of Business Administration degree; he currently works at FieldOne, a computer software firm supporting the service related industry and is a Bar Mitzvah training teacher well known in the community, encouraging many future Baalei K'rri'a, and himself reads the Torah at the shul on a regular basis; and

WHEREAS, Naomi Kaszovitz grew up in nearby Oceanside and is also a graduate of HALB, HAFTR High School and Stern College and earned her Juris Doctor degree from the Cardozo School of Law; she worked as an attorney for the City of New York in Family Court before joining her father and brother in the insurance business; she is currently employed at The Rampart Group and is also the Head Coach of the Stern College women's tennis team and has run the tennis and sports programs at Camp Levi for the past 12 years; and

WHEREAS, Both Naomi and David Kaszovitz have built second careers helping to shape the lives of students both on and off the tennis court and credit their devotion to community involvement to their parents,

Gabriel and Bonnie Kaszovitz and Arnold z"l and Beverly Skolnick, who

are each pillars of their respective communities and taught gemilut chesed by example; and

WHEREAS, Naomi and David Kaszovitz are devoted to their children, and are proud to welcome the newest addition to their family, son-in-law Netanel Goldstein from West Rogers Park, Chicago, who recently married their daughter Sarah; Alex, Sarah, Josh and Eitan have followed in their parents' footsteps and are all HALB graduates; currently Alex and Netanel attend Yeshiva University, Sarah is at Stern College and Josh and Eitan are students at DRS Yeshiva High School for Boys; and

WHEREAS, The shul is the common spiritual home of a congregation; in it rests the heritage of the Jewish people and from it stems the teaching and the practice of its treasured values and traditions; and

WHEREAS, In recognizing Naomi and David Kaszovitz for their many years of inspirational and devoted service to the synagogue, Young Israel of Lawrence-Cedarhurst proudly honors a couple who exemplify the highest aims and ideals of the Young Israel movement, adherence to Torah and mitzvot, maintenance of the traditions of the Jewish people, both at home and in the land of Israel, and commitment to their community and American society; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the course of their service to Young Israel of Lawrence-Cedarhurst, Naomi and David Kaszovitz have exhibited uncommon valor and wisdom; their involvement and leadership have been characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all their endeavors on behalf of the synagogue; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to extend its highest commendation to Naomi and David Kaszovitz for their dedication and commitment to their community and their heritage; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to pay tribute to Naomi and David Kaszovitz upon the occasion of their designation as the Guests of Honor at the 32nd Annual Dinner of Young Israel of Lawrence-Cedarhurst on April 14, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Naomi and David Kaszovitz.