LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Joan F. Waldman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Ruth Fins Memorial Award by the Rockville Centre Education Foundation

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those distinguished citizens who devote their time and energies to the service of their community and profession, participating in civic affairs and enhancing the character and quality of life for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Joan F. Waldman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Ruth Fins Memorial Award by the Rockville Centre Education Foundation to be celebrated at its Annual Gala on Saturday, April 20, 2013, at the Madison Theatre at Molloy College, Rockville Centre, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since 1991, the Rockville Centre Education Foundation has been enriching the classroom experience by funding grants to teachers for schools in Rockville's elementary, middle and high schools; and

WHEREAS, The Ruth Fins Memorial Award is given each year in honor of Ruth Fins who was a founding member and leading force of the Rockville Centre Education Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Joan F. Waldman has devoted her entire career to teaching the children of Rockville Centre; and

WHEREAS, Once in the classrooms of Morris, Watson and Covert Schools, currently Joan F. Waldman serves as Principal of Floyd B. Watson School; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Principal Joan F. Waldman, Floyd B. Watson School is a learning institution where children are unafraid to take risks and stretch themselves, a school where students are enriched and where their strengths are celebrated, and a school in which teachers and parents regard each other as family; and

WHEREAS, Joan F. Waldman graduated from New York University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education, and received a Master of Science degree in Special Education from Hofstra University; and

WHEREAS, Joan F. Waldman's professional Diploma in Educational Administration was awarded to her from C.W. Post; and

WHEREAS, Formerly the President of the South Shore Administrators Association, Joan F. Waldman serves on the Advisory Board to the School of Education at Hofstra University; and

WHEREAS, With her exceptional teaching accomplishments and her deep connections to Rockville Centre, Joan F. Waldman is the quintessential selection for the Ruth Fins Memorial Award; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Joan F. Waldman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Ruth Fins Memorial Award by the Rockville Centre Education Foundation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joan F. Waldman.