LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Shorefront Toys for Tots, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Pre-Mother's Day Brunch on April 16, 2016, and paying tribute to this year's Surrogate Mothers

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Shorefront Toys for Tots, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Pre-Mother's Day Brunch at Sirico's Caterers, Brooklyn, New York, on Saturday, April 16, 2016, and paying tribute to this year's Surrogate Mothers; and

WHEREAS, A tradition since 2003, this auspicious event honors six of the area's finest Surrogate Mothers who have touched and helped improve the lives of thousands of children throughout Southern Brooklyn's waterfront community of Shorefront; in addition, monetary donations and presents will be collected for this worthy organization; and

WHEREAS, In 1995, Brian L. Gotlieb founded Shorefront Toys for Tots, Inc. in honor of his late mother, Myrna Helene Gotlieb, who passed away in 1993, at the young age of 52; a kind-hearted woman, Myrna taught her son the importance of giving back and being active within his community; and

WHEREAS, For over two decades, Shorefront Toys for Tots, Inc. has generously distributed Chanukah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa gifts to underprivileged children during the holiday season; and

WHEREAS, The success of Shorefront Toys for Tots, Inc. is in direct correlation to the efforts of its Founder and President, Brian L. Gotlieb, and his devoted staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Shorefront Toys for Tots upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Pre-Mother's Day Brunch on April 16, 2016, and paying tribute to this year's Surrogate Mothers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brian L. Gotlieb, Founder and President, Shorefront Toys for Tots, Inc.