

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 60th Anniversary of Two Bridges Neighborhood Council and paying tribute to its 2015 honorees

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 that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of Two Bridges Neighborhood Council, and to pay tribute to its 2015 honorees; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at a gala held on Wednesday, June 24, 2015, at the Manny Cantor Center, New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, The 2015 honorees include Thomas L. Hill, Senior Vice President of Boston Properties; the Settlement Housing Fund; and Natalie Weinthal, Executive Vice President, Grenadier Realty Corp; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1955, Two Bridges Neighborhood Council has played a critical and productive role in helping its diverse and ever changing Lower East Side community develop and grow while acting with great sensitivity towards the needs of its large working-class and low and moderate income individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, As the Lower East Side has evolved over the years so too has the mission of the Two Bridges Neighborhood Council; and

WHEREAS, Originally established to manage tensions in a changing area, Two Bridges Neighborhood Council soon turned its greater energies towards community planning; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, this esteemed organization has continuously strived to maintain and expand affordable housing while delivering the necessary services residents need to prosper and thrive; and

WHEREAS, Today, Two Bridges Neighborhood Council continues to provide neighborhood based programs, and partners with numerous local organizations to help ensure the economic and cultural vitality of its Lower East Side community; and

WHEREAS, The success of Two Bridges Neighborhood Council is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, 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 organization and the residents of the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Two Bridges Neighborhood Council; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of Two Bridges Neighborhood Council, and to pay tribute to its 2015 honorees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Two Bridges Neighborhood Council, and the aforementioned honorees.