

BY: Senator MARCELLINO

COMMENDING Karen and Mark Lieberstein upon the occasion of being named Guests of Honor at the 45th Annual Testimonial Dinner of the Young Israel of Plainview on March 26, 2017

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals and organizations of remarkable integrity and character who distinguish themselves in service to their faith and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Karen and Mark Lieberstein upon the occasion of being named Guests of Honor at the 45th Annual Testimonial Dinner of the Young Israel of Plainview to be celebrated on Sunday, March 26, 2017, at the Jericho Jewish Center in Jericho, New York; and

WHEREAS, Young Israel of Plainview is comprised of more than 200 families who enjoy various youth programs, and Shiurim and educational programs led by Rabbi Elie Weissman and Yoetzet Halacha Avital Weissman; and

WHEREAS, Karen Lieberstein was one of three children born to Herb and Marilyn Stolove in Queens, New York; she was raised in Plainview, New York, where she attended Hebrew Academy of Nassau County (HANC) and Solomon Schechter School; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from John F. Kennedy High School, Karen Lieberstein earned her degree from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst; and

WHEREAS, For many years, Karen Lieberstein has been employed as a Corporate Paralegal for Kaye Scholer, and later Dornbush, Mensch, Mandelstam & Schaffer; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to her community, Karen Lieberstein organized and ran the HANC PTA Mother's Day Plant Sale; and

WHEREAS, Mark Lieberstein was the oldest of three children born to Shirley and Ed Lieberstein in Brooklyn, New York; along with his brother and sister, he grew up in Far Rockaway, Queens, where he attended Hillel Day School and then the Hebrew Academy of Five Towns & Rockaway (HAFTR); and

WHEREAS, An exceptional athlete, Mark Lieberstein graduated from G.W. Hewlett High School where he lettered in both track and baseball;

after obtaining his degree from SUNY Albany, he furthered his education by receiving his law degree from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Mark Lieberstein is a Partner with Kilpatrick Townsend LLP where he focuses on intellectual property, brand licensing and franchising; dedicated to his profession, he served as Chair of the Cardozo Law School Alumni Association and the New York State Bar Association Intellectual Property Section, and currently, serves as the Chair of the New York City Bar Fashion Law Committee; and

WHEREAS, A devoted member of his community, Mark Lieberstein was a member of both the HANC and the Young Israel of Plainview Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Karen and Mark Lieberstein are the proud parents of four children, Lauren, Jake, Julia, and Ava, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of their lives and rejoice in their achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Karen and Mark Lieberstein have displayed throughout their lives; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Karen and Mark Lieberstein upon the occasion of being named Guests of Honor at the 45th Annual Testimonial Dinner of the Young Israel of Plainview; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Karen and Mark Lieberstein.