

Senate Resolution No. 123

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Lisa Mendel upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the Pro Bono Award by The Legal Project on November 4, 2016

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Lisa Mendel upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Pro Bono Award by The Legal Project to be celebrated with a Luncheon on Friday, November 4, 2016, at The Century House, Latham, New York; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Mendel is an associate at Meyers & Meyers, LLP, in Albany, New York, where she represents clients with applications for U nonimmigrant status, political asylum, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status both in Family Court and before United States Citizenship and Immigration Services; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Brown University and Suffolk University Law School, Lisa Mendel also handles a full range of family and employment-based immigration matters, as well as citizenship and naturalization matters; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to giving back to the community, Lisa Mendel is a member of Albany County Family Court's Panel of Attorneys for Children, a Safe Passage Project Volunteer Attorney, and a member of the Legal Project's Immigration Pro Bono Panel; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Mendel currently resides in Saratoga County with her three young sons, Jahfari, Jonathan and David, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Lisa Mendel has displayed throughout her life; 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

honor Lisa Mendel upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the Pro Bono Award by The Legal Project on November 4, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lisa Mendel.