

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

COMMENDING Justin Chen upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council at the Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration on April 27, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Justin Chen upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council at the Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration to be held on Thursday, April 27, 2017, at Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York; and

WHEREAS, Holocaust Remembrance Day, known in Hebrew as Yom HaShoah, is a day set aside for remembering the victims of the Holocaust and for reminding New Yorkers, all Americans, and people around the world of what can happen to civilized people when bigotry, hatred and indifference reign; and

WHEREAS, At this auspicious event, Justin Chen will be recognized for his diligent work in creating a more civil society for the citizens of not only Nassau County, but the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Justin Chen, a student at St. Mary's High School in Manhasset, New York, is an energetic, enthusiastic, passionate young man; he has participated in a multitude of service projects in his school and community; and

WHEREAS, An exceptional and responsible student, Justin Chen is eager to learn and is not afraid to ask questions; he enjoys helping other students study for exams and help them with their homework; and

WHEREAS, Justin Chen has graciously volunteered 178 hours of his time and energy at the Long Island Jewish Medical Center-Hearing and Speech Department, and 137 hours at the Long Island Jewish Medical Center's Telemetry/Stroke Unit; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Justin Chen works as a teacher's assistant at the Chinese Cultural Association of Long Island; and

WHEREAS, Justin Chen is a credit to his family, school, community, and his State and Nation, and it is certain that his future will be filled with accomplishments of equal importance; and

WHEREAS, With his sense of civic duty and his commitment to others, Justin Chen represents the best development of the potential which is

inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Justin Chen upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council at the Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Justin Chen.