

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

HONORING James Janis upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition in conjunction with the observance of National Library Workers Day

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across the great State of New York is reflective of certain exemplary institutions and individuals whose purpose is dedicated to serving the community and the needs of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor James Janis upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition in conjunction with the observance of National Library Workers Day, to be celebrated on Tuesday, April 11, 2017, in Mineola, New York; and

WHEREAS, National Library Workers Day (NLWD) is a day for library staff, users, administrators and friends groups to recognize the valuable contributions made by all library workers; and

WHEREAS, On January 25, 2003, a resolution was proposed to recognize the hard work, dedication, and expertise of library support staff and librarians on the Tuesday of National Library Week, and to designate this day as National Library Workers Day; and

WHEREAS, With a Masters in Library Science from Queens College, James Janis has served as the Historian for the Hicksville Public Library for almost a decade, however his illustrious career in librarianship extends to nearly 40 years; and

WHEREAS, As Hicksville Historian, James Janis has done extensive primary research on America's Wars from 1898 to 1953, discovering more than a dozen forgotten veterans and detailing their exploits, as well as recovering many artifacts and documents; he also examines the history of the town itself during these conflicts; and

WHEREAS, To share these discoveries with the populace, James Janis has created narrative displays and multimedia programs on the Spanish American War, World War I and World War II for presentation at the Hicksville Public Library, local historical societies, and other libraries throughout Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Hicksville Public Library is in direct correlation to the efforts of James Janis, 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 library and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to James Janis; 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 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 honor James Janis upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition in conjunction with the observance of National Library Workers Day; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James Janis.