

BY: Senator HAMILTON

COMMENDING Alan Nahmais upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Humanitarian of the Year by the Cooley's Anemia Foundation

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, Alan Nahmais has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Alan Nahmais upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Humanitarian of the Year by the Cooley's Anemia Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Alan Nahmais of Stalco Construction has been selected for this most auspicious honor for his humanitarianism and outstanding support on behalf of children afflicted with Cooley's anemia, and for his years of dedication in assisting the Foundation to find a cure for this fatal disease; and

WHEREAS, For many years, Alan Nahmais has generously contributed to various fundraising efforts held to benefit the Cooley's Anemia Foundation; he wholeheartedly supports the Cooley's Anemia Foundation and its mission of alleviating challenges faced by people afflicted by Cooley's Anemia, medically known as thalassemia, a terminal blood disorder requiring patients to receive a blood transfusion every two to four weeks; and

WHEREAS, Alan Nahmais grew up in Brooklyn, New York, and later moved to Long Island; he began his distinguished professional career working on excavation, demolition, and concrete projects in New York City; and

WHEREAS, In 1992, Alan Nahmais co-formed Stalco Construction; under his luminous leadership, the firm has become one of the leading commercial and institutional builders in the Northeast; recently, **Building Design & Construction** magazine ranked his business as the 101st largest general contractor and the 59th largest construction manager in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the last 26 years, Alan Nahmais and his company have managed the construction of some of the most prominent building projects in the country, including: the historic restoration of Pier A in Manhattan's Battery Park; the new Elmhurst Public Library in Elmhurst, New York, the busiest public library branch in the United States; the expansion of Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Engineering in Queens, New York; and the new emergency department at Lincoln Medical & Mental Health Center in the Bronx, New York, which serves nearly 200,000 patients every year; and

WHEREAS, Alan Nahmais has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A truly compassionate man, Alan Nahmais has used his good fortune and success to co-found Contractors for Kids (CFK), a not-for-profit corporation which strives to help children and their families overcome obstacles that have unfortunately changed or have impacted their lives through the sickness or injury or death of a child; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception in 2005, CFK has raised significant funds and has assisted more than 500 Long Island families; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work with CFK, Alan Nahmais supports numerous schools and libraries throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Alan Nahmais has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, For his steadfast and unremitting commitment to his occupation and community, he was recognized as the 2009 Man of the Year by the Marty Lyons Foundation, and was named Construction Executive of the Year by the Long Island Chapter of the Construction Financial Management Association; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his two sons, Andrew and Jason, both of whom have shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Alan Nahmais has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Alan Nahmais upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Humanitarian of the Year by the Cooley's Anemia Foundation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alan Nahmais.