

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

COMMENDING Hector Rivera Bermudez upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council-Long Island, at its Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration on April 26, 2018

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 Hector Rivera Bermudez upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council-Long Island, at its Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration to be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018, 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, Hector Rivera Bermudez 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, Hector Rivera Bermudez has spent many hours preparing holiday letters and packages for veterans, organizing fundraisers for those less fortunate, and providing academic help to others; and

WHEREAS, Through many clubs such as SPARC, Hector Rivera Bermudez has helped raise money to benefit various groups including veterans, elders and kids in Africa; a student at Carle Place High School, he is currently the Vice President of the National Honor Society and former Treasurer of the French Honor Society, part of the AFG Academic Committee and Carle Place Regents Scoring Committee, and President of the Student Organization; and

WHEREAS, Hector Rivera Bermudez is open to working with students of all ages; he regularly goes to Freeport and Floral Park to help kids with their homework and prepare them for exams; and

WHEREAS, Hector Rivera Bermudez 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, Hector Rivera Bermudez 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 Hector Rivera Bermudez upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Jewish Community Relations Council-Long Island, at its Annual Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration on April 26, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Hector Rivera Bermudez.