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COMMEMORATING the 25th Anniversary of the Great
South Bay YMCA on February 8, 2017

WHEREAS, In the course of the evolving development of this Empire State, if the ingredients of shared concern and responsive endeavor combine in the commitment to society, there have emerged among the distinguished citizens of the State of New York certain organizations which warrant special recognition; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Great South Bay YMCA, to be celebrated on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, at the YMCA Boulton Center for the Performing Arts, Bay Shore, New York; and

WHEREAS, The YMCA has touched the lives of virtually all Americans, through its support of many endeavors including camping, public libraries, night schools, group swimming lessons and lifesaving, and teaching English as a second language; and

WHEREAS, The YMCA is dedicated to building strong kids, strong families, and strong communities; and

WHEREAS, Tucked into Long Island's South Shore, the Great South Bay YMCA serves thousands of children, teens, individuals and families everyday; the facility offers 65,000 square feet of health and wellness space; and

WHEREAS, The Great South Bay YMCA features a heated indoor pool, a state-of-the-art Health and Wellness Center, the Frank F. Boulton Gymnasium, a suspended/banked walking and jogging track, newly renovated men's and women's locker rooms, and a teen "rec" center; and

WHEREAS, This vital organization's summer day camp is held at a nearby location that offers an outdoor pool complete with a water slide, air-conditioned classrooms and a climate-controlled gymnasium; and

WHEREAS, The YMCA serves people of all ages, incomes and abilities through a wide variety of programs and services designed to meet the changing needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished 25 year history, the Great South Bay YMCA has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Great South Bay YMCA is in direct correlation to the efforts of its staff, 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 organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Great South Bay YMCA; and

WHEREAS, In light of its commitment, dedication and successful efforts, it is the custom of this Legislative Body to extend its highest commendation to the Great South Bay YMCA of Bay Shore, New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Great South Bay YMCA on February 8, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Great South Bay YMCA.