

BY: Senator MARTINS

COMMEMORATING the 70th Anniversary of the North Shore Synagogue, and paying tribute to this year's honorees

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in New York State is greatly enriched by its religious institutions and the faithful and generous service of those who devote themselves to endeavors of family, faith, and community; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend institutions of such magnanimous conduct and bearing which demonstrate a deep and continuing concern for others, and in so doing, inspire others to do the same; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the North Shore Synagogue, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees, on Saturday, May 13, 2023; and

WHEREAS, North Shore Synagogue is a vibrant Reform congregation of over 500 families offering a diversity of spiritual, educational, family, mitzvah and social opportunities for its members and the community; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, North Shore Synagogue joins with its members in building a community where the practice of Reform Judaism enriches and uplifts lives with understanding, warmth, friendship and meaning; and

WHEREAS, Though its members are drawn to the synagogue for various reasons - spiritual, social, educational and charitable - North Shore Synagogue seeks to forge a common bond of commitment to Jewish heritage, tradition and people, and affirm the freedom to express these shared values in creative and individualistic ways; and

WHEREAS, For seven decades, North Shore Synagogue has served the communities of Syosset, Woodbury, Old Bethpage, Plainview, Jericho, Oyster Bay, Muttontown, Brookville, East Norwich, Hicksville, Farmingdale, Melville, Glen Head, Cold Spring Harbor, Laurel Hollow, and many others on Long Island; and

WHEREAS, This year's distinguished honorees who have been congregants of North Shore Synagogue for more than 50 years include: Audrey Barnett, Conrad Berenson, Arthur and Barbara Berkowitz, Phyllis Birnbaum, Eli Bluestone, Ellen Boles, Michael and Rosalie Cantor, Phyllis Charash, Judie Chessin, Sheila Doischen, Melvin and Norma Drossman, Barbara Elis, Beverly Elson, Stephen and Susan Feldman, Ira Friedman, Sue Gallen, Carolyn Ganz, Harold and Arlene Gold, Gerald and Barbara Goldstein, Susan Gould, Phyllis Handler, Jack Hayne, Harold and Barbara Hershman, Linda Karpe, Dolores Kemp, Alan and Naomi Kramer,

Jerome and Beverly Levitan, Leonard and Anita Lustbader, Milton and Joyce Miller, Linda Neuwirth, Nathan Pepper, Phyllis Picard, Alan Protzel, Ingeborg Rabinowitz, Estelle Rehfield, Bess Reiner, Ed and

Doris Rosenfeld, David Rosenthal, Iris Smith, Marilyn Solomon, Kenneth and Ann Spole, Cynthia Sternberg, and Eileen Zanar; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Rabbi Jaimee Shalhevet, North Shore Synagogue now stands on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades, while retaining that spiritual resolve which has so characterized its glorious past; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of enduring religious institutions and to bring such institutions to the attention of the people of this Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the North Shore Synagogue, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rabbi Jaimee Shalhevet, North Shore Synagogue; and the aforementioned honorees.