LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Leonard Joblove upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2011 Robert N. Kaye Memorial Award by The Kings County Criminal Bar Association

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, Leonard Joblove has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Leonard Joblove upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2011 Robert N. Kaye Memorial Award by The Kings County Criminal Bar Association, to be celebrated at its 2011 Annual Dinner Dance held on Saturday, February 5, 2011, at Russo's On The Bay in Howard Beach, New York; and

WHEREAS, Leonard Joblove is receiving this auspicious award for more than 28 years of distinguished service on behalf of the people of Kings County; and

WHEREAS, Raised in Kew Gardens Hill in Queens, New York, Leonard Joblove attended P.S. 16 and Campbell Junior High School, then graduated in 1975 from Hillcrest High School; and

WHEREAS, Leonard Joblove went on to attend Cornell University where his major in Physics was tempered by courses in Pre-law and Philosophy; these classes sparked his interest in a career as a lawyer and in 1982, he graduated from Yale Law School; and

WHEREAS, After graduation, Leonard Joblove joined the Kings County District Attorney's Office as part of the first class of Assistant District Attorneys; during his first year he was assigned to Criminal Court, and then moved to the Appeals Bureau where in 2000, he was appointed Chief of the Appeals Bureau; and

WHEREAS, In his time at the Kings County District Attorney's Office, Leonard Joblove has had the privilege of arguing a number of notable cases, including a pretrial appeal to the New York Court of Appeals in the case against the Zodiac killer, and a rehearing en banc, in the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, of a constitutional challenge to New York's discretionary persistent felony offender sentencing law; and

WHEREAS, Leonard Joblove stands in the company of other notable lawyers of the Kings County District Attorney Appeals Bureau, whose talent and dedication are well known throughout the legal community as being exceptional; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the 2011 Robert N. Kaye Memorial Award, Leonard Joblove was the recipient of the 2008 Outstanding Achievement Award from the Kings County District Attorney Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, A singular asset to all of the citizens he has served in the community of the State of New York, Leonard Joblove's life and career are a portrait of preeminence in public service, and present a role model for all who aspire to a career in public service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Leonard Joblove upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2011 Robert N. Kaye Memorial Award by The Kings County Criminal Bar Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leonard Joblove.