

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Leslie and Joshua Wanderer upon the occasion of their designation by The Hebrew Academy of the Five Towns and Rockaway as the Guests of Honor at its 33rd Annual Dinner on February 26, 2011

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in the Empire State are greatly enriched by the faithful and generous service of those who devote themselves to endeavors of family, faith and community, and to the education of the youth of the community; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend individuals of such magnanimous conduct and bearing who 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 commend Leslie and Joshua "Josh" Wanderer upon the occasion of their designation by The Hebrew Academy of the Five Towns and Rockaway (HAFTR) as the Guests of Honor at its 33rd Annual Dinner, to be held at The Sands Atlantic Beach on Saturday, February 26, 2011; and

WHEREAS, The greatest asset of any society is its children and the hope and promise they represent for the future; The Hebrew Academy of the Five Towns and Rockaway of Lawrence, New York, has a proud and rich history of providing its students with an educational and religious foundation which is both strong and enduring; and

WHEREAS, Each year at its Annual Dinner, The Hebrew Academy of the Five Towns and Rockaway honors members of the school community in recognition and appreciation of their support of the yeshiva and its mission, as well as of their dedication to Jewish life; this year at its 33rd Annual Dinner it will proudly recognize Leslie and Joshua Wanderer as its Guests of Honor; and

WHEREAS, Leslie Wanderer is a proud alumna of HAFTR High School; after spending a year in Israel, she attended Fashion Institute of Technology and worked as a buyer in the fashion industry; and

WHEREAS, She is an active and valued member of the HAFTR PTA and was recently honored by Emunah; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Brooklyn College, Josh Wanderer attended Yeshiva University's Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law where he received his Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree and then attended New York University School of Law where he earned the highly respected Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree in Taxation; he currently works as a tax attorney and in the real estate industry; and

WHEREAS, Josh Wanderer is an esteemed Vice President at HAFTR and serves on the school's Finance Committee and as Chair of the High School's Chesed Committee; and

WHEREAS, The proud and loving parents of three children, Allison, Emily, and Jason, Leslie and Josh Wanderer are particularly concerned about and attentive to the quality of education their children receive; when they became aware that only a small number of classrooms had smart boards, they single handedly spearheaded a campaign to have one in each classroom, a goal HAFTR expects to realize this year; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to extend its highest commendation to Leslie and Joshua Wanderer for their dedication and commitment to their heritage and to their community and its children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Leslie and Joshua Wanderer upon the occasion of their designation by The Hebrew Academy of the Five Towns and Rockaway as the

Guests of Honor at its 33rd Annual Dinner on February 26, 2011; and be

it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leslie and Joshua Wanderer.