BY: Senator GOUNARDES

**COMMEMORATING** the 90th Anniversary of Madison Jewish Center of Brooklyn, New York, to be celebrated on May 9, 2021

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 fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the Madison Jewish Center of Brooklyn, New York, to be celebrated with a myriad of activities, including a social gathering, displays, photos, and shared memories on Sunday, May 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1931, Madison Jewish Center (MJC) is located in the heart of Brooklyn in the Madison neighborhood; for 90 years, it has proudly served the Madison, Marine Park, Sheepshead Bay and Midwood communities; and

WHEREAS, An Egalitarian Conservative congregation affiliated with The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, this esteemed organization offers a variety of programs for its congregants with a goal of creating a warm, comfortable environment for all; and

WHEREAS, Religious institutions, and the many spiritual, social and educational benefits they confer, play a vital role in the development of the moral fabric of a responsible citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Madison Jewish Center is a comprehensive communal organization dedicated to promoting and enhancing Jewish life through religious, cultural, social and civic advancement in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Madison Jewish Center stands on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades while retaining that spiritual resolve which it has embodied for nine decades; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those organizations which enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of Madison Jewish Center of Brooklyn, New York; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Madison Jewish Center.