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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Steve Walfish upon the occasion of receiving the Marilyn Stagg Award on Sunday, May 3, 2009

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Steve Walfish upon the occasion of receiving the Marilyn Stagg Award on Sunday, May 3, 2009, at the Westchester Hills Golf Club, White Plains, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Marilyn Stagg Award is named after an extraordinary woman whose significant contributions left a lasting mark on the White Plains community; each year, this commendation is bestowed upon an individual who dedicates him or herself to the community and serves as a living testament to the memory and service of Marilyn Stagg; and

WHEREAS, Steve Walfish is a man of singular distinction who has continually demonstrated extreme competence, exceptional intelligence and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to his community and consequently has been designated for this most prestigious award; and

WHEREAS, A district leader for the past 15 years, Steve Walfish has walked Election District 6 in support of candidates, baked for poll workers at the Middle School and kept the hamburgers cooking at BBQ's; and

WHEREAS, Born in Brooklyn, Steve Walfish finished public education in Dade County, Florida; he then moved to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Psychology, a Master's degree in Educa-

tion and a Specialist Certificate in Educational Research; upon completing his studies he joined Miami Dade Community College's faculty; and WHEREAS, After five years, Steve Walfish decided to move north to pursue a career in market research; this took him to Heublein located in Hartford and its Kentucky Fried Chicken, Smirnoff and A-1 Steak Sauce businesses; he was then recruited by General Foods and relocated to White Plains, New York, in 1983; and

WHEREAS, A pillar of the community, Steve Walfish is a regular member at the Thursday morning Bible commentary class at Bet Am Shalom Synagogue, and an active member of the Jewish War Veterans White Plains Post 191, where he has served as their Junior Vice-Commander for the past four years; he is also a dedicated member of the White Plains American Legion post; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Steve Walfish has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Steve Walfish has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Steve Walfish upon the occasion of receiving the Marilyn Stagg Award on Sunday, May 3, 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Steve Walfish.