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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Michel Araten upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Westchester Jewish Community Services

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, Michel Araten 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 Michel Araten upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Westchester Jewish Community Services on Thursday, April 15, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Michel Araten has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Michel Araten has a long and highly accomplished association with Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS); serving as President since 2007, he has properly helped to navigate the agency during its challenging fiscal times; and

WHEREAS, Serving on the Board of Directors for the past 20 years, Michel Araten has shared his professional expertise in management, operations and finance as head of the Strategic Planning Committee and a member of the Executive, Finance, Community Residential Care and Jewish Programming committees; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Jewish Community Center of Harrison, Michel Araten also serves on the board of the Michael Wolk Heart Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a

period of constructive involvement, Michel Araten has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Abby, their two sons, as well as their five granddaughters, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Michel Araten has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Michel Araten upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Westchester Jewish Community Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Michel Araten.