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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Mona R. Rieger upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Temple Beth Jacob on May 2, 2010

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to recognize and pay tribute to those individuals of firm belief and commitment who have devoted their purposeful lives to the service of faith and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Mona R. Rieger upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Temple Beth Jacob on Sunday, May 2, 2010; and

WHEREAS, A woman of singular distinction, Mona R. Rieger has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in her unwavering service to Temple Beth Jacob and her community; and

WHEREAS, A current Board member, Mona R. Rieger has served Temple Beth Jacob in numerous capacities throughout the years; she has held the positions of President, 2004-2007; Religious School Principal, 1999-2001; and Religious and Hebrew School Teacher, 1989-1998; she has also co-chaired the Gift Shop; and

WHEREAS, Mona R. Rieger is a third generation Life Member of the Hadassah; she is the founder and First President of the Noar Chapter of Newburgh; she was also a member of the Hadassah National Task Force on Young Judaea and in 1998, she became a Hadassah Founder; and

WHEREAS, Mona R. Rieger has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Federation of Greater Orange County since 1979 and has served on its Executive Committee for 23 years; she is also the current Chair of the Family Life Education Allocation Committee; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mona R. Rieger has served as the Federation's

Campaign Chair, during which time she instituted combined Super Sunday/Israel Expo; while serving as its President, she created Mitzvah Day; and

WHEREAS, Mona R. Rieger is also the past Chair of the Women's Division and has been a member on numerous committees including Allocations, Education, Campaign Cabinet and Super Sunday; she is a Columnist for the WE ARE ONE NEWSPAPER and was a member of the Northeast Region UJA Women's Cabinet; she was designated a Lion of Judah in 1993 and a Ruby Lion of Judah in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Since 1979, Mona R. Rieger has served as a Board member for numerous community organizations including: NJCC, Orange County Hebrew Day School, Jewish Family Services, State of Israel Bonds, and Literacy Volunteers of America Eastern Orange County; she has also served on St. Luke's Hospital Ball Committee, Orange County Coalition For Choice, Planned Parenthood Annual Fundraiser Committee, and Newburgh Free Academy Compact for Learning Committee; today, she is the Secretary and founding member of Cub's Place; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of her efforts of in-depth magnitude, Mona R. Rieger has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades; she has received the UJA Young Leadership Award, the Hadassah National Leadership Award, State of Israel Bonds Medal of Peace and the Kipnis-Wilson/Friedland Award from UJC National Women's Philanthropy; she has also been designated an Outstanding Young Woman of America and the Noar Hadassah "Woman of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Mona R. Rieger has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Mona R. Rieger earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Beaver College, Glenside, Pennsylvania, in 1975; she graduated Cum Laude and was a member of the Lambda Delta Alpha (Academic Honor Society) and Psi Chi (National Psychology Honor Society); and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Ian, their children, Allyson (Mathew), Caroline (Michael), and Daniel, as well as their grandchildren, Marcus and Miles, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Mona R. Rieger has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who 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 commend Mona R. Rieger upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by Temple Beth Jacob; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mona R. Rieger.