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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the JASA-Trump "4" Us NORC upon the occasion of its 2010 Festivities Day to be held Friday, June 4, 2010

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor organizations and individuals of the State of New York whose purposeful endeavors enhance the quality- of life of the senior citizens of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize and commend the JASA-Trump "4" Us NORC upon the occasion of its 2010 Festivities Day to be held on Friday, June 4, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the Jewish Association for Services for the Aged (JASA) is to sustain and enrich the lives of the aging so they can remain in the community with dignity and autonomy; and

WHEREAS, In the year 2000, the Trump "4" Us Naturally Occurring Retirement Community (NORC) was established in the Brooklyn community; it has been honored with a 2008 UJA Jeanette Solomon Grant to write a poetry book with a senior creative writing class, and in both 2009 and 2010 with UJA Jeanette Solomon Cultural Fund grants to help support its Intergenerational Chorus and Drama Program with PS 100 students; and

WHEREAS, The JASA-Trump "4" US NORC offers educational, recreational; and health programs and services that reflect the needs and interests of its senior residents; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, its social worker staff provides application assistance with benefits and entitlement, food stamps, Medicare, Medicaid, Access-A-Ride, Epic and MTA; and

WHEREAS, The JASA-Trump "4" US NORC is the only NORC participating in "Warm Homes," a pilot program established in 2006 for lonely and isolated senior residents; these seniors, who feel uncomfortable in big groups, attend the Warm Home classes on a regular basis and often end up

finding making friends is easier in a smaller group setting; and
WHEREAS, In 2009, three area NORCs participated in a "Heart Healthy Campaign"; through a survey sponsored by the United Hospital Fund, it was determined heart disease was a big health issue in the Brooklyn community and the NORCs continue to monitor the senior participants; and
WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission and purpose over 10 years of growth and change, the JASA-Trump "4" Us NORC, through its programs, staff and volunteers, has promoted a spirit of fellowship and companionship, and has provided daily assistance in managing the complexities of life; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to recognize and pay tribute to the JASA-Trump "4" Us NORC and to applaud its volunteers, who give of their talent, time, and energy and are an asset beyond remuneration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the JASA-Trump "4" Us NORC upon the occasion of its 2010 Festivities Day to be held Friday, June 4, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the JASA-Trump "4" US NORC, Brooklyn, New York.