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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Joan Beder upon the occasion of receiving the Muriel Neufeld Ethical Humanist Award from the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island on Sunday, January 9, 2011

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies to serve the best interests of their communities are as asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Joan Beder has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Joan Beder upon the occasion of receiving the Muriel Neufeld Ethical Humanist Award on Sunday, January 9, 2011; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the awards ceremony, Joan Beder's name will be placed on the plaque to be forever displayed on the Ethical Humanist Society wall; and

WHEREAS, This most prestigious accolade is presented to members of the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island who have devoted 25 years or more to actively serving the Ethical Humanist Society; she has served as its President, on its Board of Trustees, and as one who was designated to preside over Memorial Services; and

WHEREAS, Joan Beder has also served the American Ethical Union on its Leadership Training Committee for more than 25 years; and

WHEREAS, A woman of singular distinction, Joan Beder's commitment to making the world a better place has molded her entire life; she believes deeply that each person has a responsibility to combat injustice wherever they find it; her life is a testament to these beliefs; 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

honor Joan Beder upon the occasion of her receiving the Muriel Neufeld Ethical Humanist Award from the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island on January 9, 2011; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Joan Beder.