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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Tracey and Mark Bilski upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the UJA-Federation of New York on May 9, 2012

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, Tracey and Mark Bilski have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special honor; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Tracey and Mark Bilski upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the UJA-Federation of New York, at its Westchester Celebration 2012, to be held on Wednesday, May 9, 2012, at the Hampshire Country Club in Mamaroneck, New York; and

WHEREAS, Tracey and Mark Bilski have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Since moving to Chappaqua 23 years ago, Tracey and Mark Bilski have been very active members of the local Jewish community including dedicated and longtime supporters of the UJA-Federation; and WHEREAS, Tracey Bilski has held a variety of leadership positions, including chair of the Westchester Women's Campaign and member of both UJA-Federation's Caring Commission and the Commission of Jewish Identity and Renewal; and

WHEREAS, Together, the Bilskis co-chaired UJA-Federation's Westchester Young Leadership from 1992-1994; both have served on boards of several Westchester nonprofits and are graduates of the Wexner Heritage Program; and

WHEREAS, For the past six years, Tracey Bilski has served as advisor for the J-Teen Leadership, a community service leadership development initiative for Jewish high school students; she is also on the board of the US Friends of the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute; and WHEREAS, Mark Bilski is co-president of The Blue Card, a charity that provides direct financial assistance to at-risk Holocaust survivors; and WHEREAS, He is also a trustee of the Lucius N. Littauer Foundation and recently served as vice president of the family's synagogue, Mount Krisco Hebrew Congregation; professionally, he is a director, Private Banking at Credit-Suisse; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of three daughters, who are following in their parents' footsteps as Jewish leaders; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Tracey and Mark Bilski have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Tracey and Mark Bilski have displayed throughout their lives; 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Tracey and Mark Bilski upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the UJA-Federation of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tracey and Mark Bilski.