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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Jeffrey H. Wisoff upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Medical Leadership Award by the Aleh Foundation

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Jeffrey H. Wisoff upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Medical Leadership Award by the Aleh Foundation, to be celebrated at its 28th Anniversary Awards Dinner Ceremony on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, at the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jeffrey Wisoff is the Director of the Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery and Associate Professor of Neurosurgery and Pediatrics at the New York University Medical Center; he graduated summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Union College and received his medical degree, with honors, from the George Washington University School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jeffrey Wisoff completed his Neurosurgery residency at NYU under Joseph Ransohoff, M.D., followed by a fellowship in Pediatric Neurosurgery under Fred J. Epstein, M.D.; Dr. Wisoff was a founding member of the NYU Division of Pediatric Neurosurgery in 1985 and assumed its Directorship in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 20 years, Dr. Jeffrey Wisoff has made major innovative contributions to the surgical treatment of neurological disorders in children, and congenital problems in adults, in particular to the treatment of brain tumors, Chiari malformations, hydrocephalus and craniosynostosis; he has published over 150 scientific articles and book chapters, and has been an invited speaker and visiting professor at

numerous international sites, including Israel, Poland, Brazil, Argentina and Japan; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wisoff is the past co-chairman of the Neurosurgery Committee and a senior member of the Brain Tumor Strategy Committee of the national Children's Oncology Group; he is the chair of the COG Low-grade Astrocytoma Protocol, a prospective, international study of the surgical treatment of over 700 children with low-grade pediatric brain tumors; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Wisoff is chairman of the Joint Section of Pediatric Neurosurgery of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons and the Congress of Neurological Surgeons, and is a member of the American Society of Pediatric Neurosurgery and the International Society for Pediatric Neurosurgery; he also serves on the medical advisory board of the Children's Brain Tumor Foundation and the Hydrocephalus Association; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Dr. Jeffrey Wisoff's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Jeffrey H. Wisoff upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Medical Leadership Award by the Aleh Foundation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Jeffrey H. Wisoff.