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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Long Island Housing Partnership upon the occasion of celebrating its 25th Anniversary on April 11, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations within the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Long Island Housing Partnership upon the occasion of its 25th Anniversary, to be celebrated with a Silver Anniversary Dinner on Thursday, April 11, 2013, at the Crest Hollow Country Club, Woodbury, New York; the Keynote Speaker for this auspicious event is Shaun Donovan, United States Secretary for Housing and Urban Development; and WHEREAS, The leading not-for-profit affordable housing organization serving a suburban area in the United States, the Long Island Housing Partnership was formed by Long Island's business, religious, educational and professional leaders to keep working families in the region; and WHEREAS, The mission of the Long Island Housing Partnership, since its inception in 1988, has been to provide affordable housing opportunities on Long Island for those who are unable to afford homes, through development technical assistance, mortgage counseling, homebuyer education and lending programs; and

WHEREAS, Peter J. Elkowitz, Jr. has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Long Island Housing Partnership since 1989; he holds a Masters degree in Policy Analysis and Public Management and he completed the Senior Executives Program in State and Local Government at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University; and WHEREAS, He received the Harry Weiner Distinguished Alumni Award in 1995, and the Governor's award for Excellence in Housing in 1994; and WHEREAS, Peter J. Elkowitz, Jr. serves as Chairman to the Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing Advisory Council, and is a member of the 2007 Class of The Energeia Partnership -- The Academy for Regional Stewardship at Molloy College; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Peter J. Elkowitz, Jr. served on the Long Island Regional Planning Council and on the board of New York Housing Conference, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that those organizations and individuals 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 the Long Island Housing Partnership upon the occasion of celebrating its 25th Anniversary; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Peter J. Elkowitz, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer, Long Island Housing Partnership.