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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring outgoing President Alan Klinger upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Temple Israel of Great Neck on April 19, 2015

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor outgoing President Alan Klinger upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Temple Israel of Great Neck to be celebrated at its 50th Journal Dinner Dance on Sunday, April 19, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Earning his undergraduate degree from Princeton, Alan Klinger then obtained a Juris Doctor degree from New York University Law School; and

WHEREAS, Following graduation, Alan Klinger clerked for Justice Schreiber of the New Jersey Supreme Court before joining the national law firm of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan in 1982; there, he specializes in litigation and labor, becoming a partner in 1990, and Co-Managing Partner in 2007; and

WHEREAS, In 1990, Alan Klinger and his wife Susan moved to Great Neck, New York, and sought a place of worship where tradition was respected in an environment which reflected modern views; he and his family found this in Temple Israel of Great Neck; and

WHEREAS, Alan Klinger first became involved in synagogue governance at Temple Israel of Great Neck as a member of ad hoc committees addressing administrative matters, before being elected to the Board of Trustees,

and then the Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, For four years, Alan Klinger served with honor and distinction as President of Temple Israel; in this capacity, he worked with the clergy and lay leadership to expand the portals of entry to synagogue life to encourage a greater member participation; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Alan Klinger promoted a re-imaging of Temple Israel of Great Neck's prayer services to foster enhanced meaning while preserving the core of its practices; his goal was to facilitate a blending of his community's diverse groups where congregants can learn and benefit from the cultures and traditions of each other; and

WHEREAS, Alan Klinger has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; currently, he is a member of the New York University Law School Board of Trustees, the Boards of Trustees of the Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, and Partnership with Children, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Alan Klinger serves as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the New York State Higher Education Services Corporation, and serves as a member of the ADL Lawyers Division's Chairman's Council and UJA Lawyers Division's Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Alan Klinger has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, with him throughout have been his three children, Zachary, Jesse, and Emily, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Alan Klinger has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor outgoing President Alan Klinger upon the occasion of his desig-

nation for special recognition by Temple Israel of Great Neck on April 19, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to outgoing President Alan Klinger.