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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Arthur J. Siegel upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York

WHEREAS, From time to time, this Legislative Body takes note of certain individuals that it wishes to recognize for having given of their time and energies to serve the best interests of their communities and to publicly acknowledge their service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Arthur J. Siegel upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York, at its Justice for All Campaign Reception, on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, at the Fort Orange Club, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York is one of the oldest legal services organizations in the United States; it provides effective, free civil legal services and education to people with low income or other barriers to accessing the legal system in its 16-county service area; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, Capital Region law firms founded The Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York's Justice for All Campaign; throughout the past decade, the Society raised significant funds to provide legal support to low-income families and individuals with urgent non-criminal legal problems; and

WHEREAS, Arthur J. Siegel graduated from Metropolitan State University in 1980, and earned his law degree from Albany Law School in 1984; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man is the Deputy Managing Member and Head of the Litigation Practice of Bond, Schoeneck & King's Albany office, and is a past President of the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York;

and

WHEREAS, Arthur J. Siegel was the founding co-Chair of the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York's Justice for All Campaign, where he galvanized the regional private bar to financially support the work of the organization; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Arthur J. Siegel has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Arthur J. Siegel has displayed throughout his life; 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Arthur J. Siegel upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Arthur J. Siegel.