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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Larry Signer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Friend of the Legal Project Award by the Legal Project

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Larry Signer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Friend of the Legal Project Award by the Legal Project which was celebrated at the Legal Project's Pro Bono Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, October 15, 2014, at the Century House in Latham, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Friend of the Legal Project Award honors an individual, non-profit or small business which has gone beyond the call of duty to provide support or services which assist the Legal Project in helping additional people in need; and

WHEREAS, Larry Signer graduated from Herbert H. Lehman College and earned his master's degree in public administration from Baruch College; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man began his career working for the New York City Court System in 1973; and

WHEREAS, In 1983, Larry Signer began working for the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services; he retired in 2013 after 40 years of public service; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Larry Signer served his country as a member of the New York State National Guard from 1970 until 2010, and was a recip-

ient of the President's Award and Medal for Meritorious Service; and

WHEREAS, Committed to giving back to his community, Larry Signer has generously donated his time to volunteer at the Legal Project; he has become the "go-to" legal clinic volunteer, and often steps in at the last minute to coordinate a clinic; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his pro bono service, Larry Signer has helped to fill the gap of unmet legal needs in New York; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those 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 honor Larry Signer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Legal Project Award by the Legal Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Larry Signer.