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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Carl Bloomberg upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors, and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, family, and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Carl Bloomberg upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center, to be celebrated at its 15th Annual Pillars of the Community Awards Brunch on Sunday, April 19, 2015, at Congregation Beth Abraham-Jacob, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each year, this prestigious awards ceremony recognizes individuals for their contributions to the Center and the Jewish Community at large by acting as moral pillars and dispensers of wisdom and advice, providing continued service and leadership, and acting generously in the spirit of Tzedakah; Carl Bloomberg is receiving this auspicious award for his Jewish leadership in the community; and

WHEREAS, A native of Swampscott, Massachusetts, Carl Bloomberg graduated from Yale University; today, he is the owner of Capitol Staple Company in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Carl Bloomberg has stood constant in

dignity, good grace, and humor and has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, A member of both the Congregation Beth Emeth and the Albany Jewish Community Center, Carl Bloomberg held the title of the first President of Albany Meals on Wheels, helping to guide this vital organization through its early years of service to the residents of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Carl Bloomberg was the former Campaign Chair for the annual fundraising drive of the Jewish Federation of Northeastern New York, and a past member of its Endowment Committee; in addition, he served on the Board of Daughters of Sarah, and was a volunteer at Senior Services in Albany; and

WHEREAS, In 2010, Carl Bloomberg was the recipient of the distinguished Dr. Morton Berger Memorial Award by the Maimonides Hebrew Day School; and

WHEREAS, The Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center provides a nurturing environment where individuals and families can grow and develop in mind, body, and spirit; and

WHEREAS, This vital organization's core values are rooted in Jewish principles, representing the interest, concerns, and perspectives of the Jewish community, and the community at large, and welcomes all members regardless of their faith or background; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Carl Bloomberg has displayed throughout his life; 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 Carl Bloomberg upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Carl Bloomberg.