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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. David Kriegel upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Academy Award by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 individuals who 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 Dr. David Kriegel upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Academy Award by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District to be celebrated at a dinner on Thursday, May 28, 2015, at Congregation Agudat Achim, Niskayuna, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award is bestowed upon individuals who exemplify the mission of the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District through intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, and love of learning while celebrating the richness of their Jewish traditions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David Kriegel has shown brightly in his respective field, while maintaining a sense of community, service, and integrity, as well as an ongoing commitment to the Jewish foundation instilled in him by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy; and

WHEREAS, A 1979 graduate of the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District, David Kriegel furthered his education at Columbia University, New York City; while a student, he was a member of the Board of Directors of the United Jewish Appeal, and led the United Jewish Appeal (UJA) Student Campaign; and

WHEREAS, Today, Dr. David Kriegel is a nationally recognized Mohs Skin

Cancer Surgeon; he holds the esteemed position of Director of the Division of Dermatologic and Mohs Surgery at The Mount Sinai Medical Center, New York City; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Dr. David Kriegel plays a key role in the education of residents and fellows, and founded the hospital's Procedural Dermatology Program; this fellowship is one of only 42 Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredited programs in the United States and attracts outstanding dermatologists who want to serve as Mohs Surgeons; and

WHEREAS, Renowned and well-respected in his field, Dr. David Kriegel has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades, including being listed as an exemplary Physician in NEW YORK MAGAZINE, THE NEW YORK TIMES BEST DOCTORS edition, and in AMERICA'S BEST CANCER DOCTORS GUIDE; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David Kriegel has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to his White Plains community, Dr. David Kriegel has been involved with many Jewish causes, such as serving as a member of the leadership panel for Israel Bonds, and the Board of Directors of American Friends of Hebrew University, where he acted as a Trustee for their medical research foundation; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dr. David Kriegel belongs to three area synagogues, and is an active participant in the Westchester Jewish community; and

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

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Lisa, and their three children, Nili, Jack and Maya, 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 Dr. David Kriegel has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. David Kriegel upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Academy Award by the Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy of the Capital District; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. David Kriegel.