

State Senate Honors Freeport's Longtime Library Director

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Senator Fuschillo Sponsors Senate Resolution Honoring Dave Opatow's Many Years of Service to Freeport Community

New York State Senator Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr. (R-Merrick) announced that the New York State Senate has passed a legislative resolution he sponsored honoring former Freeport Library Director Dave Opatow for his many years of service to the Freeport community. Mr. Opatow retired at the end of 2010 following 24 years of service to the Library.

The resolution honored Mr. Opatow for his "faithful, conscientious, and valuable service" to the Freeport Library over the last 24 years, noting that he "served with loyalty, honor, and distinction" and "earned the admiration, esteem, and affection of his colleagues."

"For 24 years, Dave Opatow served the residents of Freeport as Library Director, working hard to make the Library the valuable community resource that it is today. It's wonderful to see such a good and decent man recognized by the State Senate for his many years of dedicated service. I thank Dave for his service, congratulate him on a job well done, and wish him all the best as he begins his retirement and a new chapter of his life," said Senator Fuschillo.

With the Senate passage of the legislative resolution, David Opatow's name and record of service will forever be part of the New York State Senate's official record.

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Text of the Senate resolution

Senate Resolution 36

By Senator Fuschillo

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring David Opatow upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service as Director of the Freeport Memorial Library

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor David Opatow upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service as Director of the Freeport Memorial Library; he will officially retire on Friday, December 31, 2010; and

WHEREAS, For the past 24 years, David Opatow rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Freeport Memorial Library, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; he truly enjoyed working for a great library which comprised a conscientious Board of Directors and an enthusiastic staff; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as Director, David Opatow served with loyalty, honor and distinction, and, was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems in his official acts; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Judy, and their three children, Jessica and her husband, Bob, Sandra and her husband, Pat, and Mark and his wife, Alicia, as well as one grandson, Jonny, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; 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 honor David Opatow upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Freeport Memorial Library; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to David Opatow, Oceanside, New York.