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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Claudia Rouhana upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Education Foundation on April 15, 2016

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Claudia Rouhana upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Education Foundation, to be celebrated with a Gala on Friday, April 15, 2016, at the Village Club of Sands Point; and

WHEREAS, As the third president of The Education Foundation, Claudia Rouhana has been involved with the organization since its inception in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Claudia Rouhana began her community service when, as a new mother, she became involved with the Parent Resource Center; in the early 1990s, she served as a board member and President of the Port Washington Children's Center, which led to her presidency of the Child Care Council of Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, In addition, during this time, Claudia Rouhana was an active member of the PTA at Guggenheim and Manorhaven Elementary Schools, and went on to become PTA President at Weber Middle School; she also served on Parents' Council and the school district's Cultural Arts Committee; and

WHEREAS, Claudia Rouhana's involvement in Port Washington is only the beginning of her steadfast and unwavering commitment to the community; she has remained an active alumna of Colby College where she has served as an Overseer for six years; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Claudia Rouhana has sat on the board of the Optometric Center of New York, where she later became President; she is also involved in the Ozymandias Fund of the Tides Foundation and the New England Society in the City of New York; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed woman is currently a member of the board of the Port Washington Library Foundation, is an active member and past president of the Sands Point Garden Club; she was honored in 2012 by Community Chest as their Citizen of the Year in recognition of her longtime dedication to helping others in Port Washington and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Claudia Rouhana has displayed throughout her 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Claudia Rouhana upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Education Foundation on April 15, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Claudia Rouhana.