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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Charles R. Bendit for his many years of distinguished service to the New York State Board of Regents

WHEREAS, It is the practice of the State of New York to recognize those skilled and dedicated individuals within our midst whose notable professional and personal accomplishments merit the recognition of their local communities and this great 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 Charles R. Bendit for his many years of distinguished service to the New York State Board of Regents; he officially stepped down from this esteemed position and left the Board of Regents on February 24, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Charles R. Bendit earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from George Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Charles R. Bendit was first elected to the New York State Board of Regents in 2007, serving as a Regent from Judicial District 1; since then, he was actively involved in the educational community serving as not only a Regent but also a board member of PENCIL, and a participant in PENCIL's annual Principal for a Day program; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Charles R. Bendit is a member of the Board of Governors of the Real Estate Board of New York, the Executive Committee of the Board of Advisors of the George Washington University School of Business, and the Advisory Board of the University's Center for Real Estate and Urban Analysis; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Charles R. Bendit is the co-Founder/co-Chief Executive Officer of Taconic Investment Partners LLC; before founding Taconic, he was President and sole owner of CBC Properties, the company he founded in 1993; in this capacity, he acquired, repositioned, and

managed more than one million square feet of office property in New York City and Washington, D.C., as well as several hundred apartment units in the metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, Prior to forming his own company, Charles R. Bendit was a Managing Director at Jones Lang Wootton (JLW) where he served as President for property acquisitions, sales and financing for the firm's international clientele, with a focus on New York, Washington, D.C. and Toronto; in these latter two cities, he established JLW's regional offices and business platforms; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Charles R. Bendit for his many years of distinguished service to the New York State Board of Regents, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Charles R. Bendit.