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Senate Resolution No. 1277

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

HONORING Susan Newborn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Award by the North Shore Hebrew Academy on April 2, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in this great State; and

WHEREAS, The result of many individual efforts, the excellence and the success of North Shore Hebrew Academy High School is due in large part to the efforts of Susan Newborn; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Susan Newborn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Award by the North Shore Hebrew Academy, to be celebrated at its Annual Dinner on Sunday, April 2, 2017, at the Old Westbury Hebrew Congregation, Old Westbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, For more than six decades, the North Shore Hebrew Academy has provided the students of the Great Neck community and surrounding New York area with a premier General and Judaic studies education; its Modern Orthodox Yeshiva day school serves toddlers through twelfth

graders in co-educational classes, and its curriculum drives academic excellence, intellectual pursuit and open discussion, support of learners, and kindness towards others; and

WHEREAS, One of the founding faculty members of North Shore Hebrew Academy High School (NSHAHS), Susan Newborn has been working in Jewish education for more than 40 years; her classrooms are always places of profound and rigorous intellectual activity, and her students respect her expertise as well as her methodical, logical presentation of material; and

WHEREAS, A Brooklyn native, whose professional degrees were earned at CUNY schools, Susan Newborn has worked in numerous yeshiva high schools in Brooklyn and on Long Island, teaching English and Creative Writing and inspiring thousands of students during her illustrious career; and

WHEREAS, Susan Newborn has served as Chair of the English Department at North Shore Hebrew Academy High School since its inception in 2001; in this capacity she is in constant communication with members of her department, ensuring the curriculum is relevant and exciting for students; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to North Shore Hebrew Academy High School, Susan Newborn regularly mentors new teachers and is an unofficial member of the technology team, where she shares her understanding of the application of cutting-edge technology to educational venues; and

WHEREAS, Susan Newborn's role as Coordinator of the Middle States Steering Committee has had a profound impact on the long-standing success of North Shore Hebrew Academy High School; she spearheaded the

process of effecting the unprecedented accreditation of the school in just its second year, and she has helped NSHAHS maintain its standing through several successive accreditation periods; and

WHEREAS, With a passion for writing, Susan Newborn is involved in creating promotional material for the school and she often shares her poetry with her students; and

WHEREAS, Susan Newborn's tremendous professional contributions have been instrumental in making North Shore Hebrew Academy High School the esteemed institution it is today; she is truly an inspiration and role model for her students; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Ira, and her two children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, A significant contributor to education in New York State, Susan Newborn has continually demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered at North Shore Hebrew Academy High School for the benefit of its faculty and students, as well as for the entire community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Susan Newborn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Award by the North Shore Hebrew Academy on April 2, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Susan Newborn.