

## 2023-J59

Senate Resolution No. 59

BY: Senator PALUMBO

HONORING Judge Martha Luft upon the occasion of her retirement after 16 years of service to the residents of Suffolk County

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those singular individuals who devote their purposeful lives and careers to preserving the rights and protecting the welfare of the citizens of their community and the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Judge Martha Luft upon the occasion of her retirement after 16 years of service to the residents of Suffolk County on Saturday, December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Judge Martha Luft attended Stony Brook University, Columbia University, and Stanford Law School, receiving her Bachelor's, Master's, and Juris Doctorate degrees, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Having served as a Supreme Court Justice and Family Court Judge within Suffolk County for 16 years, Judge Martha Luft has developed an impeccable reputation for her judicial temperament, integrity, and superior settlement skills; and

WHEREAS, Throughout a life and career of purposeful endeavor, Judge Martha Luft has remained true to her commitment, serving family, faith, and community, as well as the law; her contributions and accomplishments

have brought great benefit and positive influence to bear upon the course of jurisprudence and the quality of life for others; and

WHEREAS, Respected by both attorneys and defendants alike, Judge Martha Luft always conducted an impartial and objective court; she treated all defendants with compassion and dignity while at the same time remaining fair in her rulings; and

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in the Suffolk County community has been ably served and uniquely enriched through the selfless dedication and benevolent concern of Judge Martha Luft; and

WHEREAS, Judge Martha Luft, in every capacity in which she served, has left her permanent mark on the criminal justice community, and will forever be remembered as a determined, innovative, and genuinely concerned expert in her field; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Judge Martha Luft upon the occasion of her retirement after 16 years of service to the residents of Suffolk County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Judge Martha Luft.