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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Judy Gerowitz upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the 44th Annual Dinner Dance of the United Progressive Club on May 6, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend individuals who distinguish themselves in their profession and in service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Judy Gerowitz, UFT District 21 Representative, upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the 44th Annual Dinner Dance of the United Progressive Club, to be held at The Rex Manor in Brooklyn, New York, on May 6, 2010; and

WHEREAS, A Brooklyn resident since her marriage in 1969, while raising her family, Judy Gerowitz attended Brooklyn College at night, earning her bachelor's degree after 12 years of hard work; and WHEREAS, During this period she also began her career with the New York City Board of Education as a paraprofessional; after the completion of her undergraduate studies she was hired as a Special Education Teacher at P.S. 226 and, coming from a union family, it was there that she

began her involvement with the United Federation of Teachers, serving over 15 years as a Chapter Leader; and

WHEREAS, After the teaching day ended Judy Gerowitz worked as a PM staffer at the union offices assisting members throughout Brooklyn; in 2001 she was hired as a full-time Special Representative for the UFT and, in 2003, was appointed to the position of District Representative for District 21, the position in which she continues to ably serve; and WHEREAS, In this assignment Judy Gerowitz addresses questions and issues raised by her UFT membership in the 30 schools she represents;

she also collaborates with the Superintendent and other public officials, administration, parent groups, and local community organizations on an ongoing basis; and

WHEREAS, Among the many initiatives she has undertaken to improve life in the District 21 community, Judy Gerowitz is justly proud to have, some years ago, reintroduced the District 21 UFT Scholarship Dinner Dance, which enables each Chapter Leader in the district to provide a scholarship to a deserving student in his or her school; and WHEREAS, With Judy Gerowitz throughout have been her husband Stu, their children Julie and David, and their granddaughters Emma and Abby, all of whom are proud to be part of her life and rejoice in her accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Judy Gerowitz has distinguished herself in her profession and in her community and truly merits the recognition of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Judy Gerowitz upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the 44th Annual Dinner Dance of the United Progressive Club on May 6, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Judy Gerowitz.