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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Aaron D. Rosen upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition on May 17, 2010

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are vital parts of, and valuable assets to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Aaron D. Rosen upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition, and to wish him a Happy 75th Birthday, to be celebrated on Monday, May 17, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Born May 17, 1935, to Theodore and Irene Rosen of Flatbush, Brooklyn, New York, Aaron D. Rosen settled with his family 14 years later to the suburbs of Suffolk County on Maple Avenue in Patchogue, New York; and

WHEREAS, As a young boy, Aaron D. Rosen's hobbies and accomplishments included studying piano, art, boats and politics; he grew up participating in the family business of the Patchogue Lumber Yard and real estate; and

WHEREAS, After serving his country in the United States Coast Guard during the Korean War, Aaron D. Rosen went on to study commercial art, business and real estate; and

WHEREAS, One of the first affirmative action and compliance officers in New York State during his 20 year tenure with the Department of Transportation, Aaron D. Rosen retired from New York State service as a career civil servant at age 55; and

WHEREAS, A Vice Commander of American Legion Post No. 269 of Patchogue, New York, Aaron D. Rosen also served with the Suffolk County

court system as District Officer; in addition, he was a past recruiter for the New York Blood Bank and an assistant manager of a department furniture store; and

WHEREAS, Aaron D. Rosen has been brought in to a family tradition of "Lionism" as a member of the Patchogue Lions Club; and WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Carrie, of 46 years; he is the father of Jerry and Debbie, and the loving grandfather of Matthew; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional septuagenarian with his zest for life, has inspired and enhanced the lives of his family and friends; and WHEREAS, This distinguished man, who has experienced the incredible joys and sorrows characteristic of and reserved for those with the stamina and courage to savor a full life, has inspired all those around him; and

WHEREAS, Aaron D. Rosen has enriched the lives of those who have been privileged to know him through his joyous and sincere love for others, and through the quiescent charm and wisdom which come only from a fullness of years; and

WHEREAS, Truly an extraordinary man who has led an exemplary life of

humanitarian service, Aaron D. Rosen is defined by simple modesty and a boundless energy that is amazing and inspiring; and WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize those who have reached such a remarkable age and who have witnessed and celebrated the innovations, cultural developments and awesome achievements of this country during the last seven decades, while themselves contributing to the growth and excellence of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Aaron D. Rosen upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition, and to wish him a Happy 75th Birthday to be celebrated on Monday, May 17, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Aaron D. Rosen.