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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Barry Gurvitch upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Chacham Lev Award by Congregation Beth Sholom

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Barry Gurvitch has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Barry Gurvitch upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Chacham Lev Award by Congregation Beth Sholom, to be celebrated at its 60th Annual Testimonial Dinner on Sunday, March 25, 2012, at Congregation Beth Sholom in Lawrence, New York; and

WHEREAS, Chacham Lev is referenced in the Torah in the book of Shemot; this phrase is used to describe Bezalel and his workers as they build the Mishkan; to build a synagogue, a place of worship requires a combination of the chacham, the intellect and the lev, the heart; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of his efforts in renovating the Congregation Beth Sholom shul and his demonstration of chacham and lev in doing so, Congregation Beth Sholom is proud to honor Barry Gurvitch with this most auspicious award; and

WHEREAS, Barry Gurvitch has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Barry Gurvitch has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Barry Gurvitch has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Barry Gurvitch upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Chacham Lev Award by Congregation Beth Sholom; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Barry Gurvitch.