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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the JCY-Westchester Community Partners and the Lincoln Park Jewish Center upon the occasion of hosting a Holocaust Remembrance Program, March 17-21, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend JCY-Westchester Community Partners and the Lincoln Park Jewish Center upon the occasion of their Holocaust Remembrance Program on March 17-21, 2014 at the Lincoln Park Jewish Center in Yonkers, New York; to honor the memory of the 12 million victims of this horrific genocide committed in Nazi-occupied Europe during World War II, all Yonkers Public School students, as well as the entire community, are invited; and

WHEREAS, This Holocaust Remembrance Program will feature live accounts by survivors and a poster display entitled "Courage to Care," by the Simon Wiesenthal Center; the posters depict the history, resistance, and impact of the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS, The JCY-Westchester Community Partners together with the honored guest speakers hope to encourage those attending, especially young people, to be upstanders and not bystanders in speaking out against of religious and racially based violence; and

WHEREAS, We learn in the aftermath of the Holocaust that indifference to genocide cannot be tolerated; Holocaust remembrance imposes a moral obligation to speak out; and

WHEREAS, The People of the State of New York should always remember

the horrendous atrocities committed by the Nazis from 1933-1945, so that such horrors are never again repeated; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize those distinguished organizations whose tireless work honors the memory of those lost during the Holocaust and reminds residents of the State of New York what can happen to civilized people when bigotry, hatred and indifference to human rights reign; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the JCY-Westchester Community Partners and the Lincoln Park Jewish Center upon the occasion of hosting a Holocaust Remembrance Program, March 17-21, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the JCY-Westchester Community Partners and the Lincoln Park Jewish Center.