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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Great Neck Breast Cancer Coalition upon the occasion of celebrating the 10th Anniversary of its Students and Scientists Breast Cancer/Environment Research Program

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 would devote themselves 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 the Great Neck Breast Cancer Coalition upon the occasion of celebrating the 10th Anniversary of its Students and Scientists Breast Cancer/Environment Research Program on Monday, June 2, 2014, at the Great Neck House, Great Neck, New York; and

WHEREAS, This commemorative event will feature Carol Frank, a journalist and former Associate Editor of the GREAT NECK RECORD as the Honorary Chairperson and Guest Speaker; in addition, alumni of the program will speak about its influence on their lives and careers; and

WHEREAS, Since 1992, the Great Neck Breast Cancer Coalition (GNBCC) has been dedicated to the battle against breast cancer through education and advocacy of breast cancer research; to further protect future generations, this worthy organization also advocates breast cancer prevention research, and educates the public on ways to avoid toxic environmental exposures; and

WHEREAS, As part of its commitment to breast cancer research, GNBCC founded the Students and Scientists Breast Cancer/Environment Research Program in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Since its establishment, the program has sent more than 30

students to intern at labs researching environmental links to breast cancer and breast cancer prevention; and

WHEREAS, This occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to GNBCC and its exceptional Student Program; and

WHEREAS, This innovative educational program provides high school students with hands-on experience working with world-renowned environmental and breast cancer researchers while they learn sophisticated laboratory procedures in a state-of-the-art lab; the students learn how ubiquitous toxic exposures not only create havoc in our environment, but also contribute to chronic diseases, including cancer, learning disabilities and neurological diseases; and

WHEREAS, In so effectively carrying out its mission, GNBCC has demonstrated the value of cultivating the development of new scientific leaders in order to prevent the spread of breast cancer; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Great Neck Breast Cancer Coalition upon the occasion of celebrating the 10th Anniversary of its Students and Scientists Breast Cancer/Environment Research Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Great Neck Breast Cancer Coalition.