

## 2013-J5194

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Joel Berlin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by North Shore Synagogue on June 7, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the efforts of those individuals within the State of New York who give of their time and energies in support of spiritual endeavors which aim to benefit the community at large; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Joel Berlin, upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by North Shore Synagogue; he will be honored at its Journal Dinner Dance 2014, on Saturday, June 7, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Joel Berlin is being recognized for his dedicated and exemplary efforts as a member of the Merger Committee during the joining of North Shore Synagogue, of Syosset, New York, with Temple Beth Elohim, of Old Bethpage, New York; and

WHEREAS, Joel Berlin and his family were active members of Temple Beth Elohim for 38 years, serving the congregation in many capacities; throughout his membership, this distinguished man served as either a member of the board or vice president, and he also served twice as co-chair of the rabbi search committee; and

WHEREAS, Joel Berlin is the founder and President of Jared Funding, which provides working capital for small businesses; he is a former employee of Montgomery Ward where he worked for 23 years, leaving as national merchandiser for men's apparel, and he also worked as President of the Marc Alpert Shoe Company, President and Chairman of Sperry & Hutchinson, and Senior Vice President of Empire Insurance Group; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Rita; their children,

Eric (Janinne), Adam (Doriz), and Daniel; as well as their grandchildren, Alex, Lea, Matthew, and Joshua, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its rich historical past and up to the present day, the North Shore Synagogue has been sustained by the beneficent efforts of countless congregants such as Joel Berlin, who have generously supported their temple with abundant kindness and good deeds; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Joel Berlin upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by North Shore Synagogue, noting his unremitting commitment, ceaseless devotion and spiritual resolve; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joel Berlin.