2013-J5271

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Judith and Martin Mehler upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2014 Keter Torah Award by the Jericho Jewish Center on June 12, 2014

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, Judith and Martin Mehler have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special honor; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Judith and Martin Mehler upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2014 Keter Torah Award by the Jericho Jewish Center, to be celebrated at its 2014 Gala Evening of Tribute, on Thursday, June 12, 2014, at the Center in Jericho, New York; and

WHEREAS, Judith and Martin Mehler and their family have been active and enthusiastic members of the Jericho Jewish Center (JJC) for many years; and

WHEREAS, Martin Mehler has been involved in many JJC committees, and served the Center's President; he is currently a member of the Board of Trustees, can often be found at daily minyan, and writes a regular column, "The Sporting Jew," for the JJC newsletter; Judith Mehler is an active member of the Sisterhood; and

WHEREAS, Martin Mehler was born on Manhattan's Lower East Side, the son of Holocaust survivors; he moved to the Bronx at the age of five, and after graduating from City College of New York in Manhattan, he attended and graduated from Albany Law School, Union University; and WHEREAS, Judith Mehler was born in the Bronx, and raised in Queens; also born to Holocaust survivors, she attended Queens College where she

earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in education; she worked for the State of New York helping the unemployed, and subsequently worked for what would become Chase Bank, training future tellers; and WHEREAS, Judith and Martin Mehler have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, They are the proud parents of Heather and Matthew; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Judith and Martin Mehler have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Judith and Martin Mehler have displayed throughout their lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Judith and Martin Mehler upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2014 Keter Torah Award by the Jericho Jewish Center on June 12, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Judith and Martin Mehler.