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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Lee Tessler upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Robert Bernstein Humanitarian Award from Voices Against Brain Cancer

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and 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 longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Lee Tessler upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Robert Bernstein Humanitarian Award from Voices Against Brain Cancer, celebrated at its Fourth Annual Run for Rob on Sunday, October 19, 2014, at Eisenhower Park, East Meadow, New York; and WHEREAS, Voices Against Brain Cancer is a national not-for-profit organization with the mission to find a cure for brain cancer by advancing scientific research, increasing awareness in the medical community and providing support to patients and their caregivers; and WHEREAS, Dr. Lee Tessler is a resident of Port Washington, New York, and serves as the Executive Director and Co-surgical Director of the Long Island Brain Tumor Center at Neurological Surgery, P.C. (NSPC); and WHEREAS, After graduating cum laude from Duke University, Lee Tessler obtained his medical degree from the Ohio State University College of Medicine and Public Health; he served both his internship and residency in the Department of Neurological Surgery at New York University (NYU)

Langone Medical Center, where he was named chief resident; and WHEREAS, A Board Certified Neurosurgeon, Dr. Lee Tessler specializes in the treatment of primary brain tumors, metastatic tumors and meningiomas, using surgery and radiosurgery; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, Dr. Lee Tessler was appointed as Assistant Professor of Neurosurgery at NYU Langone Medical Center; he is currently Chief of Neurotrauma and Chairman of Neurosurgery Quality Improvement Committee at Winthrop-University Hospital; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he serves on Voices Against Brain Cancer's Medical Advisory Board, and was also named to the Medical Advisory Board of VirtualTrials.org; and

WHEREAS, Amongst countless awards and accolades, Dr. Lee Tessler is the proud recipient of the Community Service Award from the Aleh Foundation, which funds Israel's largest provider of educational rehabilitative services to severely developmentally disabled children; and WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Dr. Lee Tessler's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Lee Tessler has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Lee Tessler upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Robert Bernstein Humanitarian Award from Voices Against Brain Cancer; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Lee Tessler.