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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Morris Losice upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center

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, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors, and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, family, and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Morris Losice upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center, to be celebrated at its 15th Annual Pillars of the Community Awards Brunch on Sunday, April 19, 2015, at Congregation Beth Abraham-Jacob, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each year, this prestigious awards ceremony recognizes individuals for their contributions to the Center and the Jewish Community at large by acting as moral pillars and dispensers of wisdom and advice, providing continued service and leadership, and acting generously in the spirit of Tzedakah; Morris Losice is receiving this auspicious award for his Jewish leadership in the community; and

WHEREAS, A native of Poland, Morris Losice was born to the late Noah and Yospa Losice; in December of 1938, the Losice family re-located to the United States aboard the MS Pulsutzki; and

WHEREAS, Morris Losice attended the Yeshiva Torah Vodaath in Brooklyn, from 1945-1956; upon graduating, he was employed at his family's busi-

ness, Modern Carpet, then known as Modern Furniture Company; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Morris Losice has stood constant in dignity, good grace, and humor and has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Morris Losice was a founding member, and President of Congregation Shomrei Torah for many decades; he also serves on both the Maimonides Hebrew Day School Board of Directors and the Shabbos House Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Devoted to his Jewish heritage, Morris Losice is the recipient of the distinguished Maimonides Hebrew Day School Dr. Morton Berger Award; and

WHEREAS, Today, Morris Losice continues to work at Modern Carpet; he is admired throughout the community for his strong sense of integrity, values and principles; and

WHEREAS, The Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center provides a nurturing environment where individuals and families can grow and develop in mind, body, and spirit; and

WHEREAS, This vital organization's core values are rooted in Jewish principles, representing the interest, concerns, and perspectives of the Jewish community, and the community at large, and welcomes all members regardless of their faith or background; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Morris Losice has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the

recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor Morris Losice upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Morris Losice.