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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jane Rubinstein upon the occasion of her designation as a 2015 Long Island Center for Business and Professional Women Achiever

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 pay tribute to outstanding individuals who distinguish themselves through their exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jane Rubinstein upon the occasion of her designation as a 2015 Long Island Center for Business and Professional Women Achiever; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at the Center's 36th Annual Achievers' Awards Gala, to be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2015; and WHEREAS, For more than 35 years, the Long Island Center for Business and Professional Women has been dedicated to advancing women in business, industry and the professions; and

WHEREAS, The Long Island Center for Business and Professional Women celebrate and honor women who are leaders, mentors and who have opened doors for other women to help foster their rise in business, the professions and in their community; Jane Rubinstein is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, Jane Rubinstein was raised in Hicksville, Long Island, with her two brothers, and second generation Italian-American parents; and WHEREAS, A resident of Merrick, New York for the past 31 years, Jane Rubinstein attended the State University College at New Paltz, majoring in Art Education, and minoring in Music; she went on to obtain her Master's Degree at the State University at Albany, and earned a certification in Industrial Arts at the University of Maine; and WHEREAS, Jane Rubinstein's passionate working career consisted of teaching art and Industrial Arts in grades K-12; in 2008, she retired from public school teaching, and went on to teach at private schools until 2011; and

WHEREAS, Today, Jane Rubinstein is a full time artist, devoting her time and art skills to charity, volunteering, and various vital organizations and causes in her community, including local theaters, schools, libraries, hospitals, fundraisers for breast cancer, veterans, and 911 fund, just to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Jane Rubinstein is most known for painting store windows during the holidays for the Jason Gruen Foundation, dedicated to helping children with sudden death heart disease; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades for her community charity work including the Pathfinder Award as Volunteer of the Year by Nassau County, and the Town of Hempstead Making a Difference Award; Jane has also been recognized in the NEW YORK TIMES, NEWSDAY, and many other local publications; and WHEREAS, In addition, Jane Rubinstein's life size fiberglass horse, which she submitted for the "Horse of a Different Color" Campaign for the County Parks and Recreation Department, was displayed at the Mineola Courthouse, Merrick's Town Square, and in Belmont Park; and WHEREAS, Recently, Jane Rubinstein was crowned Ms. New York Senior America 2014, and has spent countless hours proudly promoting a positive image of aging, and showing the value, grace, dignity, vitality, and

talent of women over 60; her mission is to continue to put a positive focus on the senior community; and

WHEREAS, Today, Jane Rubinstein enjoys art, dance, competitive equestrian horse-back riding, travel, classical piano, and theater; at the age of 56, she started taking ballroom dance lessons, participating in competitions throughout the country, and winning several championships; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband of 31 years, Jack, and their two children Aaron and Glenn, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their profession and community, and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jane Rubinstein upon the occasion of her designation as a 2015 Long Island Center for Business and Professional Women Achiever; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jane Rubinstein.