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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dave Hoffman upon the occasion of his designation as the 2015 Outstanding Community Advocate by the Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern New York

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, 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dave Hoffman upon the occasion of his designation as the 2015 Outstanding Community Advocate by the Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern New York, to be celebrated at its Gala Event, "An Evening to End Alzheimer's," on Friday, May 1, 2015, at the Hall of Springs in Saratoga Springs, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Alzheimer's Association is the world's leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the Alzheimer's Association is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research, provide and enhance care and support for all affected, and reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health; and

WHEREAS, Dave Hoffman has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Director of the Bureau of Community Integration and Alzheimer's Disease in the Office of Health Insurance Programs at the

New York State Department of Health, Dave Hoffman manages all dementia programming in the state, as well as several other initiatives; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man is also a Clinical Associate Professor at the State University at Albany School of Public Health and teaches Medical Ethics at Maria College as an Adjunct Professor; in addition to his other credentials, he also recently earned a post graduate certificate in Bioethics at Albany Medical College; and

WHEREAS, Driven by the impact of seeing numerous loved ones lost to Alzheimer's Disease, Dave Hoffman was instrumental in the passing of a bill granting Alzheimer's Associations statewide the most significant increase in funding in history; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Dave Hoffman is a steadfast and dedicated member of several advisory groups including the National Advisory Council for Alzheimer's Disease Research, the National Campaign for Public Health, the New York State Geriatric Mental Health Planning Council, and the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion at CDC; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Dave Hoffman has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Susan, and their two children, Peter and Elizabeth, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dave Hoffman has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor Dave Hoffman upon the occasion of his designation as the 2015 Outstanding Community Advocate by the Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern New York, and to wish him continued success in all of his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dave Hoffman.