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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Board Chair Emeritus Jon Lukomnik upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition at a Benefit and Elizabethan Feast celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Life and Works of William Shakespeare by New York Classical Theatre on April 21, 2016

WHEREAS, From time to time, this Legislative Body takes note of certain individuals that it wishes to recognize for having given of their time and energies to serve the best interests of their communities and to publicly acknowledge their service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Board Chair Emeritus Jon Lukomnik upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition at a Benefit and Elizabethan Feast celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Life and Works of William Shakespeare by New York Classical Theatre on Thursday, April 21, 2016, in New York City; and

WHEREAS, From 2004 through 2014, Jon Lukomnik served on the Board of New York Classical Theatre, nine years as Chair; under his surefooted leadership, the company grew both artistically and financially, expanding to numerous venues throughout New York City and continuing to provide a growing audience with excellent classical theatre for free; and

WHEREAS, A recognized expert in corporate governance and institutional investing, Jon Lukomnik is one of the only people in the world to have run a Top 10 pension fund in New York City, been a managing director of a Top 10 hedge fund (CDC), and served on the creditor's committee to rehabilitate Worldcom; and

WHEREAS, Jon Lukomnik is managing partner of Sinclair Capital LLC, a

strategic consultancy to institutional investors and the investment management industry as well as Executive Director for the IRRIC Institute, which provides thought leadership at the intersection of corporate responsibility and the informational needs of investors; and

WHEREAS, Today, Jon Lukomnik is a Trustee for the Van Eck mutual fund complex and serves on the Standing Advisory Group to the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, Jon Lukomnik is co-author of THE NEW CAPITALISTS, a pick of the year by the FINANCIAL TIMES; his newest book, WHAT THEY DO WITH YOUR MONEY: HOW THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM FAILS US AND HOW TO FIX IT, will be published in May and has drawn advance praise from former United Kingdom Prime Minister Gordon Brown, former United States Senator Chris Dodd, and Vanguard Founder Jack Bogle; and

WHEREAS, New York Classical Theatre is celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Life and Works of William Shakespeare with a myriad of events and celebrations planned throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, New York Classical Theatre's first benefit featured a Royal Tribute to Jon Lukomnik, as well as pop-up performances and an Elizabethan Feast of historic foods curated for the modern palate; and

WHEREAS, This summer, in celebration of the Bard's life and work, New York Classical Theatre will present two of his most beloved plays, "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "The Winter's Tale"; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Board Chair Emeritus Jon Lukomnik upon the occasion of his

designation for special recognition at a Benefit and Elizabethan Feast celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Life and Works of William Shakespeare by New York Classical Theatre on April 21, 2016; and be it

further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Board Chair Emeritus Jon Lukomnik, New York Classical Theatre.