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## SENATOR GOLDEN NAMES DR. SHEIKEN AS NEW YORK STATE SENATE WOMAN OF DISTINCTION

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New York – State Senator Martin J. Golden (R-C-I, Brooklyn) this week recognized Dr. Mardie Sheiken as a 2016 New York State Senate Woman of Distinction at a ceremony held in the State Capitol. Each year, this event recognizes outstanding women living and working in the Empire State whose contributions have greatly enriched the quality of life in their communities and beyond.

“At an early age, Dr. Mardie Sheiken started working with adults with disabilities and realized that helping those in need was her life calling. She now cares for children with special needs and is instrumental in obtaining the vital services they need to lead full and happy lives”, stated Senator Marty Golden. “I am proud to recognize Dr. Sheiken for all she has achieved for the benefit of others, and for her countless hours of community service. Her dedication, commitment and success is an inspiration for all New Yorkers.”

Dr. Mardie Sheiken is currently the Coordinator of School Psychologists at the NYL William O'Connor Midwood Preschool, a special needs early childhood center, that provides services children with various diagnoses. Dr. Sheiken is instrumental in the admissions process and in counseling parents, as well as advocating for their obtaining services their children need.

Dr. Sheiken completed her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and two Master's Degree, one in Education and another in School Psychology. While working full-time, Dr. Mardie went on to obtain her Doctorate in Psychology at the age of 30, the youngest to obtain that degree at that school at that time.

Since then, Mardie has worked in the preschool, volunteered as the Parent Association President at Public School 222, Intermediate School 278, and Midwood High School, where she served on the School Leadership Teams at each schools. In addition, Dr. Sheiken volunteered her time at the Cort Club in Gerritsen Beach after Hurricane Sandy, providing psychological services wherever needed. She also provided free services in her private practice for those impacted by the storm.