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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 160th Anniversary of the Kane Street Synagogue in Brooklyn

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those organizations that substantially contribute to the vitality and well-being of their communities and the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 160th Anniversary of the Kane Street Synagogue in Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, Since 1856, the Kane Street Synagogue, also known as Baith Israel Anshei Emes, has been a place of Jewish worship and spiritual growth in Brooklyn, dedicated to providing all interested in Judaism a place to gather, pray, and study; and

WHEREAS, For 160 years, the Kane Street Synagogue has worked tirelessly to serve the Brooklyn community, creating one of the first Jewish schools in Brooklyn in 1864, which continues to educate those interested in Judaism today; and

WHEREAS, The Kane Street Synagogue is the oldest Jewish congregation in Brooklyn that still serves the neighborhood in which it was founded, and a vital part of Cobble Hill; and

WHEREAS, Led by Rabbi Samuel Weintraub, the Congregation's values of social justice, religious and cultural integration, and civic and interfaith participation has ensured strong community-building and engagement beyond its role as a house of worship; and

WHEREAS, The Kane Street Synagogue has ensured the survival of the congregation and its founding ideals by balancing tradition with progress; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Kane Street Synagogue; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional organization and its valuable contributions to the community, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the successes it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 160th Anniversary of the Kane Street Synagogue in Brooklyn; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rabbi Samuel Weintraub, Kane Street Synagogue.