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## Senator Stewart-Cousins Presents Lois Bronz with Leadership Award

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Tarrytown, NY – Senate Democratic Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins presented Lois Bronz with the Leadership Award at the annual Lois Bronz Children’s Center Awards Dinner.

“It’s an honor and a pleasure to be here with you tonight to recognize my friend and mentor Lois Bronz for her outstanding achievements and lifetime of meaningful community action.” said Senator Stewart-Cousins. “Lois is an inspiration to so many and is truly deserving of this

recognition.”

Lois Bronz worked in education for 32 years. In 1976, she was elected to the Greenburgh Town Council and served there for 16 years. In 1994, Lois became the first African-American woman elected to the County Board of Legislators and in 2002, she was unanimously elected to lead the Board. In addition to serving on the board of the Lois Bronz Children’s Center, she has also served as Director on the boards of Children’s Village in Dobbs Ferry, Westchester Coalition, Westchester Community Opportunity Program, United Way of Westchester, Westchester Arts Council, and the Hudson Valley Council for Senior Citizens.

The Lois Bronz Children's Center embraces diversity on all levels, and for more than 40 years has provided an inclusive environment where families, teachers and staff from various backgrounds and cultures work together to meet the needs of our children. The Center incorporates educational and social activities that celebrate the multicultural experiences of our children, and we remain committed in our efforts to enhance our programs to ensure that they receive a well-rounded education.

The Center was founded in 1966 and formally known as Union Child Day Care Center (UCDCC). In 2006 was renamed in honor of former County Legislator Lois Bronz for her many years on the Board of UCDCC where she chaired their major phone-a-thon fundraiser and for her 25 years of advocacy for children in the community.

The Lois Bronz Children's Center also presented Leadership Awards to Rev. Erwin Trollinger, William (Bill) Carter (posthumously). The Community Service Award honorees were the African American Men of Westchester, El Centro Hispano, the Bruce Museum and Calvary Baptist Church.