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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Mary Ann Plaia upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Recognition Honor by the Town of North Hempstead on May 17, 2016

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Mary Ann Plaia upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Recognition Honor by the Town of North Hempstead celebrated with a Luncheon on Tuesday, May 17, 2016, at Harbor Links Golf Course, Port Washington, New York; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Since 1952, Mary Ann Plaia has been a resident of Mineola, New York; in 1958, she and her husband bought a home, where they happily raised their family; and

WHEREAS, Interested in politics, Mary Ann Plaia was actively involved in the local political scene throughout the 1970s and 1980s; and WHEREAS, Mary Ann Plaia was a vital part of the Mineola High School faculty, where she taught English, Drama and Stagecraft, a position from which she retired from in 1993; and

WHEREAS, As Drama Teacher, Mary Ann Plaia proudly directed numerous students in various musical and dramatic high school productions; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her career, Mary Ann Plaia brought an uncompromising standard of excellence to her work and a warm sense of caring and concern to every young person she educated; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed woman has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, After her much deserved retirement, Mary Ann Plaia immediately joined the Leisure Club of Mineola and became involved with publicity, writing a bi-monthly column, "Leisure Club News", which still appears in the MINEOLA AMERICAN; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Mary Ann Plaia has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Mary Ann Plaia has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Mary Ann Plaia, a very active and industrious woman, has inspired and enriched the lives of those she serves through her volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Mary Ann Plaia upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Senior Recognition Honor by the Town of North Hempstead on May 17, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary Ann Plaia.