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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Jerry Wind upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jerry Wind upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, Born on March 15, 1949, Jerry Wind grew up in the Castle Hill section of the Bronx, New York; even at the young age of 10, he was a hard worker; throughout his school years, he held numerous part-time jobs; and

WHEREAS, In 1970, Jerry Wind began working as a Customer Service Representative at Con Edison; eight years later, he was promoted to the title of Energy Services Representative (Inspector), a position he held until his retirement in 2006; and

WHEREAS, In 1975, Jerry Wind married his wife, Nadine, and they moved

to their present home in Bellerose, New York; and

WHEREAS, Inspired by his mother, who served as President of the P.S. 36 PTA for eight years, Jerry Wind has been an integral and active part of his community for numerous years; and

WHEREAS, Within a week of his arrival in Bellerose, Jerry Wind joined the Bellerose Hillside Civic Association; he was promptly elected Corresponding Secretary, and in 2000, was elected to the office of President, a title which he continues to hold; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, Jerry Wind was appointed to Community Board 13, and a few years later, he began serving as Executive Secretary; in addition, he holds the position of co-Chair of the Seniors and Special Needs Committee and is a member of the Land Use and Public Safety Committees of the Community Board; and

WHEREAS, A true public servant, Jerry Wind is also a member of the Community Advisory Committee of Martin Van Buren High School and the Board of Health Care Choices, which runs two clinics and a veteran's shelter; in the past, he served as the Chair of the Community Advisory Committee of the Milestone Residence on the Creedmoor Southern Campus until its closing a few years ago; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Jerry Wind has volunteered in the NYC Participatory Budgeting program and participated in numerous demonstrations and meetings aimed at bettering his community and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Individuals such as Jerry Wind, devoted to improving the quality of life for others, enabling them to build lives of dignity and self-worth, are deserving of the highest praise and recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jerry Wind upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a

Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to Jerry Wind.