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Senate Resolution No. 2189

BY: Senator SQUADRON

COMMEMORATING the 30th Anniversary of the Lower East Side Ecology Center

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 this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the Lower East Side Ecology Center in Lower Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, The Lower East Side Ecology Center (LESEC) is a nonprofit organization founded in 1987 with the goal to achieve a more sustainable New York City; and

WHEREAS, LESEC was among the first organizations in New York City to have community-based recycling and composting programs; and

WHEREAS, LESEC has worked to increase community awareness and involvement among youth and adults through environmental education programs, including water quality testing and urban ecology; and

WHEREAS, Since 1990, LESEC has collected over 14,000 pounds of waste

per week to turn into finished compost and potting soil; and

WHEREAS, Since 2012, LESEC has offered an electronic waste recycling program to educate the community about the hazards of electronic waste and to collect unwanted or broken electronics; and

WHEREAS, LESEC partners with local organizations, corporations and institutions to host volunteer days for cleanup and gardening to increase community involvement with the environment; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional organization and its contributions to the communities of Lower Manhattan, fully confident that it will continue to serve as it has thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the Lower East Side Ecology Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Lower East Side Ecology Center.