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Senate Resolution No. 3602

BY: Senator PHILLIPS

COMMEMORATING the 70th Anniversary of Temple Sinai of Roslyn Heights, New York, on April 28, 2018

WHEREAS, Religious institutions, and the many spiritual, social and educational benefits they confer, play a vital role in the development of the moral fabric of a responsible citizenry; and

WHEREAS, It is the tradition of this State and this Nation to pay tribute to those institutions and individuals who have contributed to the ethical and spiritual values of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of Temple Sinai of Roslyn Heights, New York, to be celebrated at a Gala on Saturday, April 28, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Temple Sinai of Roslyn is an inclusive reform synagogue offering spiritual outreach and contemporary approaches to traditional values; it offers a friendly, warm atmosphere, and programs which seek to meet the needs of members as well as the larger Jewish community; and

WHEREAS, The Temple welcomes Jews from all backgrounds, striving to serve the needs of families and singles, Jews of all races, cultures and sexual orientations, as well as Jews-by-choice and interfaith families;

WHEREAS, Temple Sinai is truly a sanctuary; it is a place where people can study, worship, and assemble; and

WHEREAS, The leaders and congregation of Temple Sinai are always defining, refining, and redefining its short-term goals in light of its larger mission to meet the individual and collective religious, spiritual and emotional needs of its members; and

WHEREAS, Through Jewish text and tradition, the Temple strives to deepen the understanding of the Jewish faith and encourage religious commitment of its members; and

WHEREAS, For seven decades, Temple Sinai has carried out the vision of its founders; to be a warm and caring Jewish Community dedicated to perpetuating Reform Judaism and meaningful Jewish expression; and

WHEREAS, Temple Sinai stands on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades while retaining that spiritual resolve which characterizes its past; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of enduring religious institutions and to bring such institutions to the attention of the people of this Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of Temple Sinai of Roslyn Heights, New York, fully confident that this commemoration reflects the belief in

those values which enhance the dignity and purpose of life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Temple Sinai of Roslyn Heights, New York.