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Senate Resolution No. 3877

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Robyn and Edward Marinstein upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors, and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, family, and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Robyn and Edward Marinstein upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center, to be celebrated on Sunday, April 22, 2018, at Temple Israel, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each year, this prestigious awards ceremony recognizes individuals for their contributions to the Center and the Jewish community-at-large by acting as moral pillars and dispensers of wisdom

and advice, providing continued service and leadership, and acting generously in the spirit of Tzedakah; and

WHEREAS, Widely known for their extraordinary dedication to Israel and the local community, Robyn and Edward Marinstein's philanthropic and leadership endeavors continue to inspire all of those who are lucky enough to know them; and

WHEREAS, Robyn and Edward Marinstein's journey and commitment to become involved members of the community began when they were children in Albany and Troy, New York; the couple's parents and grandparents provided them with a solid family foundation and instilled in them the importance of being kind; and

WHEREAS, In the late 1980s, Robyn and Edward Marinstein were invited to participate in the Jewish Federation's Young Professional Leadership Program, co-chairing fundraising and social events; it was through this program the couple met, confirming their commitment to each other and the community; and

WHEREAS, Active members of Congregation Beth Emeth (CBE), Robyn and Edward Marinstein serve as co-chairs for Mitzvah Day and volunteer at the Soup Kitchen and the annual Garage Sale; in addition, they co-sponsor dinner for the Moveable Feast, CBE's fundraiser for its religious school; and

WHEREAS, Robyn and Edward Marinstein also led the 2017 Capital Region JCC Maccabi Games as members of its steering committee; and

WHEREAS, Robyn Marinstein holds a bachelor's degree in Public

Administration from SUNY Albany and a Master of Science degree in

Elementary Education from Russell Sage College; she is currently a first

grade teacher at the Menands Union Free School District where she is treasurer of the PTA and secretary of its Association of Teachers; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, this esteemed woman chaired the Girls Tennis Booster Club at Guilderland High School and was a parent volunteer for the Albany Figure Skating Club; and

WHEREAS, Edward Marinstein, affectionately known as Ed, earned a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Rochester before earning his law degree from Case Western University; he is currently Managing Member of Marinstein & Marinstein Esqs., PLLC, specializing in the area of creditors' rights; and

WHEREAS, With them throughout have been their two wonderful children, David and Jessica, who have shown them love and support and rejoice in their many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Robyn and Edward Marinstein have displayed throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Robyn and Edward Marinstein, that future generations may know and appreciate their admirable character, their many benevolent deeds, and their respect and esteem in which they are held by their peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Robyn and Edward Marinstein upon the occasion of their designation

as recipients of the Pillars of the Community Award by the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Robyn and Edward Marinstein.