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Senate Resolution No. 4009

BY: Senator GOLDEN

COMMENDING Dr. Mark F. Sherman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd. on April 8, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Dr. Mark F. Sherman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd., to be celebrated at its 41st Annual Gala on Sunday, April 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, For the last 43 years, the Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd. has stayed true to its mission of promoting unity in its multi-cultural community; this vital organization strives to instill and preserve the highest ideal of Americanism, provide mutual assistance and encourage greater participation; and

WHEREAS, Born in Brooklyn, New York, Dr. Mark F. Sherman comes from a family of physicians; after watching his father care for the athletes of the Public School Athletic League of New York City and Lafayette High School, he was inspired to become an orthopedic sports medicine physician; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mark F. Sherman earned his degree magna cum laude from Brooklyn College; in 1975, he graduated from New York University Medical School, where he was a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Society; and

WHEREAS, In 1980, Dr. Mark F. Sherman successfully completed a fellowship in sports medicine under the auspices of the late Dr. John Marshall at the Hospital for Special Surgery; he then served as an orthopedic surgeon, specializing in sports medicine; and

WHEREAS, Three years later, Dr. Mark F. Sherman assumed the title of Director of Sports Medicine at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Manhattan, where he had been active with the Sports Medicine Clinic for Special Surgery since 1980; and

WHEREAS, Since 1993, Dr. Mark F. Sherman has been a valuable member of the staff of the Staten Island University Hospital, and The Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City, as well as the Director of Orthopedics at Richmond University Medical Center in Staten Island; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mark F. Sherman has proudly been recognized as one of New York Magazine's Best Doctors for the past 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Taking after his beloved father, Dr. Mark F. Sherman is an official Public School Athletic League Consultant for the City of New York, taking care of numerous high schools in Brooklyn and Staten Island; and

WHEREAS, For the past 18 years, Dr. Mark F. Sherman has held the position of Director of Staten Island Orthopedics and Sports Medicine Fellowship Program, an Arthroscopy Association of North America approved fellowship; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Mark F. Sherman has written numerous sports medicine publications in orthopedic journals, presentations, orthopedic conventions and conferences, and was the host of a TV Sports Medicine show, known as the "Sports Doc," which won the 1999 Telly Award; and

WHEREAS, Today, Dr. Mark F. Sherman works in private orthopedic practice on Staten Island where he and his partners serve thousands of patients each year; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the community in which he lives and works, Dr. Mark F. Sherman has been actively involved in the Jewish Community Center of Staten Island for the past 20 years; he served as the Chairperson of the 2000 Maccabi Games which included 1,500 teenagers from all over the world competing in an Olympic-type experience in New York; and

WHEREAS, Eight years ago, Dr. Mark F. Sherman and his friend established the Unity Games, an interracial, educational event which uses basketball as a vehicle to teach seventh and eighth grade children about life; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his three children, Seth, Nicole and Sean, all of whom have shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; together, the family is known throughout the world for their fly-fishing accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who

enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Dr. Mark F. Sherman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Mark F. Sherman.