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Senate Resolution No. 4396

BY: Senator GOLDEN

HONORING Christine Fredricksen upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Lutheran Elementary School of Bay Ridge

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor and recognize those dedicated professionals, who strive to enhance the quality of education for our students, and whose character, accomplishments and community contributions inspire all citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Christine Fredricksen upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Lutheran Elementary School of Bay Ridge, to be recognized at its 1957 Prom Celebration on Friday, April 13, 2018, at Gargiulo's Restaurant, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The result of many individual efforts, the excellence and the success of the Lutheran Elementary School of Bay Ridge is due in large part to the efforts of Christine Fredricksen; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Fort Hamilton High School, Christine Fredricksen began her professional life in banking, working for Morgan

Guaranty Trust Company; after taking time off to raise her son, Alan, she made her career change to education; and

WHEREAS, Christine Fredricksen worked in the office and as a substitute teacher at Redeemer St. John's for 19 years; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, Christine Fredricksen began her illustrious career at the Lutheran Elementary School of Bay Ridge, where she gave tirelessly of her time and energies to both the afterschool and summer programs; and

WHEREAS, A true inspiration and mentor, Christine Fredricksen has improved the quality of education at the Lutheran Elementary School of Bay Ridge by leading and supporting staff with enthusiasm, cultivating a positive and stimulating school environment for her students, and creating a greater sense of community; and

WHEREAS, Christine Fredricksen's character and integrity are the hallmarks of her life and work as an educational leader, a community volunteer and as a person; and

WHEREAS, The Bay Ridge community is indeed fortunate and blessed to have had such a dedicated and respected educator; her wisdom and contributions reached into every classroom, truly making a difference in the lives of those lucky enough to have worked with her; and

WHEREAS, A significant contributor to education in New York State, Christine Fredricksen has continually demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered at the Lutheran Elementary School of Bay Ridge for the benefit of its faculty

and students, as well as for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, In completing her service, Christine Fredricksen leaves behind more than mere bricks and mortar; she leaves behind a legacy to the students of the Lutheran Elementary School and to the residents of the Bay Ridge community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Christine Fredricksen upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Lutheran Elementary School of Bay Ridge; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Christine Fredricksen.