Senate Resolution No. 4463

**BY: Senator BRESLIN** 

HONORING Lynne Lenhardt upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce on April 26, 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Lynne Lenhardt upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce to be celebrated at its Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, April 26, 2018, at Normanside Country Club in Delmar, New York; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1957, the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce works on a local and regional level to advance economic development and foster a positive business environment; it offers resources for residents, businesses, recreation and relocation in Bethlehem, New York, and the surrounding region; and

WHEREAS, A woman of singular distinction, Lynne Lenhardt has

continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in her unwavering service to her community and consequently has been selected for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the young people of her community, Lynne Lenhardt was a vital member of the Bethlehem Central School District Board of Education from 1998-2018; for the last 21 years, she has served on the Capital Regional BOCES Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Lynne Lenhardt was elected to the New York State School Board of Directors in 2001, holding the title of President in both 2013 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, In addition to serving as an advocate for education, Lynne Lenhardt has been a member of many community organizations such as the Bethlehem Community Partnership, St. Thomas Church, Slingerlands Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, Bethlehem Historical Association, and the Bethlehem Central Community Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Lynne Lenhardt has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Lynne Lenhardt has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a

long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State;

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Lynne Lenhardt upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lynne Lenhardt.