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Senate Resolution No. 4985

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Bernadette Mayersohn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Third Age Achievement Award for Volunteerism by the Senior Services of Albany

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 organizations and 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 honor Bernadette Mayersohn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Third Age Achievement Award for Volunteerism by the Senior Services of Albany, to be celebrated at its 22nd Annual Awards Luncheon on Friday, May 18, 2018, at Wolferts Roost Country Club, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each year, this auspicious event recognizes the contributions that area residents and professionals have made in their communities during the Third Age of their lives; Bernadette Mayersohn will receive this award for her valuable achievements and devoted service to her community after the age of 60; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism is an essential element of all societies; it provides a way in which the human values of community, caring and serving can be sustained and strengthened; and

WHEREAS, Bernadette "Bernie" Mayersohn has given tirelessly of her time and energies to helping others; she was Chair of the Metropolitan Division for the United Way while serving as a Red Cross volunteer to help advance their mission; and

WHEREAS, A board member at the American Red Cross, Bernadette Mayersohn also chaired numerous committees and remains a Trustee Emeriti; in recognition of her efforts, the American Red Cross Association awarded her with the regional Standish Award, the national Clara Barton Award, and the Lifetime Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, Bernadette Mayersohn has also devoted time to Northeast Health as a board member, events chair, and is currently a Trustee Emeriti; subsequently, in 2007, the Hospital awarded her the Founders Award for her service; and

WHEREAS, While volunteering at the Albany County Historical Foundation, Bernadette Mayersohn was instrumental in the successful initiation of the Holiday House; she also served as a board member and continues to be recognized as a Trustee Emeriti; and

WHEREAS, In her spare time, Bernadette Mayersohn loves the company of family and good friends, traveling and reading; 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

Bernadette Mayersohn, that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Bernadette Mayersohn upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Third Age Achievement Award for Volunteerism by the Senior Services of Albany; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bernadette Mayersohn.