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Senate Resolution No. 5802

BY: Senator GOLDEN

COMMENDING Margaret M. Stanton, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Bay Ridge Lawyers Association on June 22, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those distinguished citizens who devote their time and energies to the service of their community and profession, participating in civic affairs and enhancing the character and quality of life for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Margaret M. Stanton, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Bay Ridge Lawyers Association to be celebrated at its Annual Dinner Dance on Friday, June 22, 2018, at the Belevedere Club at Casa Belevedere in Staten Island, New York; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Mary Stanton was born to Harold and Carol Stanton in Camp LeJune, North Carolina; as a child, she lived in Japan for three years before moving to Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. Stanton earned her Bachelor of Arts degree magna cum laude in 1977 from Brooklyn College; she furthered her

education by obtaining her Juris Doctorate from St. John's University School of Law in 1980, and her Certificate in International Legal Studies from the University of the Pacific, School of Law in conjunction with the University of Salzburg in 1979; and

WHEREAS, In 1981, Margaret M. Stanton was admitted to the Bar in the State of New York, Appellate Division, Second Department; she was admitted to practice in the United States District Court, Southern and Eastern Districts, and the United States Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. Stanton began her long and distinguished career as an associate in a firm in Freeport, New York; in 1982, she joined the firm of Baratta & Goldstein, with offices in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Five years later, Margaret M. Stanton opened her own general practice law firm in Brooklyn; from 2000-2015, she and Rosa Pannitto worked together as partners in the firm as Stanton and Pannitto; today, Margaret M. Stanton focuses on Family and Matrimonial law, Real Estate and Civil Litigation, and private adoptions; and

WHEREAS, Committed to the advancement of adoption, Margaret M.

Stanton has lectured on private placement adoption law for the Richmond

County Bar Association, the Bay Ridge Lawyers Association, and Staten

Island Women's Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, Margaret M. Stanton has been an active participant of various Bar Associations including the Bay Ridge Lawyers Association, Brooklyn Women's Bar Association, Colombian Lawyers Second Department and Staten Island Women's Bar Association; as a member of the Bay Ridge

Lawyers Association, she has served as a chairperson on various committees, on its Board of Directors, and, this year, as President; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, Margaret M. Stanton's firm was the recipient of the Successful and Effective Professional Award by the National Federation of Italian American Societies; she was also named one of 2018 Power Women in Business; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout has been her son, Austin James Stanton, who has shown her love and support and rejoices in her many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Margaret M. Stanton 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 profession and community, and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Margaret M. Stanton, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Bay Ridge Lawyers Association on June 22, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Margaret M. Stanton, Esq.