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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Edgar Lichstein, M.D., upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Medical Society of the County of Kings, Inc., and the Academy of Medicine of Brooklyn

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community and their profession; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Edgar Lichstein, M.D., upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Medical Society of the County of Kings, Inc., and the Academy of Medicine of Brooklyn on March 6, 2013, in Brooklyn, New York; and WHEREAS, This special event has been designated as Doctors Recognition Day which will be held at Giando on the Water; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lichstein completed his internal medicine training at Lenox Hill Hospital and New York University; he also completed a Cardiology Fellowship at NYU and served as Captain and Chief Cardiologist at the Wright Patterson United States Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lichstein was brought to Maimonides Medical Center in 1976 and, given a mandate to develop the Cardiology Division, he staffed the division with full-time faculty creating a corps of experts with in-depth knowledge and proficiency in all aspects of cardiac care; and WHEREAS, As Chair of Medicine of the Department of Medicine at Maimonides Medical Center, Dr. Lichstein has continued to innovate, for example, enhancing the supervision of medical residents by instituting the Firm Director system and appointing full-time certified internists to work with the Medical Center's graduate physicians; and

WHEREAS, Well-known and highly regarded in his profession, Dr. Lichstein has served as Chairman of the American Heart Association's Committee on Smoking, Heart Information Services, and Council on Community Programs; he also served as Chairman of the Committee on Government Affairs/Public Policy and is currently a member of the Governor's Council on Graduate Medical Education; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dr. Lichstein has authored many articles and publications in the field of Cardiology and has served on the editorial boards of the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NONINVASIVE CARDIOLOGY, the JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY and the JOURNAL OF GERIATRIC CARDIOLOGY; and

WHEREAS, Serving as Professor of Medicine at SUNY Downstate Medical Center, Dr. Lichstein has fittingly been honored many times for his exemplary service and many accomplishments in his profession; among the many prestigious awards he has earned are the United Jewish Appeal's Award of Honor, the Physician of the Year Award from both the Guardians of the Sick and the Council of Neighborhood Organizations, and the Anti-Defamation League's esteemed Torch of Liberty award; and

WHEREAS, With Dr. Lichstein throughout have been his wife Marilyn, their son Adam and his wife Becky, their daughter Amy and her husband Scott, their four grandsons, Will, Ellis, Jake and Ryen, and their granddaughters Tayt and Nell, all of whom are proud to be part of his life and rejoice in his many achievements; 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 merit the highest commendation and the recognition and appreciation of those who have benefited from their service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Edgar Lichstein, M.D., upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Medical Society of the County of Kings, Inc., and the Academy of Medicine of Brooklyn; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Edgar Lichstein, M.D.