



The Senate of the State of New York

Proclamation



IN RECOGNITION OF CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER



- Whereas,* A GREAT STATE IS ONLY AS GREAT AS THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR ORGANIZATIONS WHO PERFORM EXEMPLARY SERVICE ON BEHALF OF THEIR COMMUNITY, AND IT IS THE CUSTOM OF THIS GREAT STATE TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THAT OUTSTANDING SERVICE; AND
- Whereas,* CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER GREW UP IN VINELAND NJ AND COMES FROM A LONG FAMILY HISTORY OF JEWISH LEADERS IN SYNAGOGUE, ZIONIST AND JEWISH COMMUNAL LIFE; AND
- Whereas,* CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER HAS CONTINUED THAT TRADITION OF JEWISH INVOLVEMENT IN VARIOUS WAYS AS BOTH A VOLUNTEER AND PROFESSIONAL AND HER JEWISH INVOLVEMENT HAS SPANNED ZIONISM, HAVURAH JUDAISM AND SOCIAL JUSTICE AND FAMILY HISTORY RESEARCH; AND
- Whereas,* CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER WAS ORDAINED IN 1999 BY HEBREW UNION COLLEGE IN NEW YORK, AND SHE SERVED NINE YEARS AT CONGREGATION BETH ELOHIM, BROOKLYN, WHERE SHE WAS THE FIRST FULL-TIME ORDAINED CANTOR IN ITS 150-YEAR-OLD HISTORY; AND
- Whereas,* CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER HAS SERVED THE GREENBURGH HEBREW CENTER SINCE THE FALL OF 2010 AND SHE IS KNOWN TO BE AN EXPERIENCED, ECLECTIC AND DIVERSE CANTOR; AND
- Whereas,* CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER'S MUSIC IS HEARD ON SEVERAL RECORDINGS AND FILM SOUNDTRACKS WELL- KNOWN IN THE YIDDISH WORLD, AND SHE WAS FEATURED IN A CONCERT OF WOMEN CANTORS SINGING TRADITIONAL CANTORIAL MUSIC IN TRIBUTE TO THE "KHAZNTES" AS PART OF THE INTERNATIONAL YIDDISH CULTURAL FESTIVAL, IN NEW YORK; AND
- Whereas,* CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER HAS STUDIED VOCAL PEDAGOGY AND HAS TAUGHT COLLEGE STUDENTS, ADOLESCENTS, AND TEENS AND SHE SHARES HER LIFE WITH HAL GLICKSMAN, A VETERAN TV PRODUCER IN NEWS AND PROMOTION; AND
- Whereas,* CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER WILL BE RETIRING AS THE CANTOR OF GREENBURGH HEBREW CENTER ON MAY 31, 2020; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT
- Resolved,* THAT I, STATE SENATOR AND SENATE MAJORITY LEADER, ANDREA STEWART-COUSINS, RECOGNIZE THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER AND JOIN WITH THE RESIDENTS OF THE 35TH DISTRICT TO PROCLAIM THIS DAY, MAY 31, 2020, AS CANTOR JANET LEUCHTER'S DAY.

DATED: MAY 31, 2020

In Witness Whereof,

I Have Set My Hand and Signature

Andrea Stewart-Cousins

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New York State Senate, 35th District

Senate Majority Leader