

RESOLUTION NO. 14-091

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF HELEN LITTELL WINSLOW

WHEREAS, Helen Littell Winslow, 61, was born in Wilmington, Delaware and was a trailblazing lawyer, religious leader, humanitarian, loving wife, mother and friend; and

WHEREAS, Helen graduated magna cum laude from Bryn Mawr College where she majored in music and excelled at piano. She received her law degree from the University of North Carolina, where she was a member of the Order of COIF (scholastic honor society in law that recognizes those who have attained high grades in law school), and an editor of the Law Review; and

WHEREAS, Helen had a distinguished legal career was the fifty second woman admitted to the Delaware Bar. She initially worked as an attorney for Richards, Layton and Finger, where she handled commercial transactions and intellectual property law matters. Upon Kenan's birth, Helen became one of the first women to work part-time in a legal practice, leading the way for others to follow. Subsequently, she became General Counsel of the H.D. Lee Company, Inc., practicing patent and intellectual property law; and

WHEREAS, from 2005-2006 she was President of the Delaware Bar Association; in this capacity, she addressed the Israeli Bar Association during their annual conference. Helen was the Editor-in-Chief of *The Delaware Bar in the Twentieth Century*, was co-editor of *Delaware Supreme Court Golden Anniversary* and served on the editorial board of *The Delaware Constitution of 1897: The First One Hundred Years*. She was Editor-in-Chief of the *Delaware Law Review* from 2000-2004. In December 2013 she was awarded the Chief Justice Hermann Professionalism Award from the Delaware Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, Helen was a devoted member of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Synagogue. She sang in the choral group, helped establish the Women's Tefillah group, and served on the board. She enjoyed reading, travel, folk and contra dancing, opera, movies, and most of all, being with her family. Friends and family will miss her laugh, beautiful singing voice, her sense of humor, generosity, and compassion; and

WHEREAS, Helen died March 23, 2014 and will be dearly missed by her loving husband, Jonathan Jaffe, her three sons, Kenan, Nathaniel, and Saul; her brother, Dallas Winslow and sister, Mary Reddick, and numerous extended family and friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by and for the County Council of New Castle County that County Council hereby extends heartfelt condolences to the family and to the friends of Helen Littell Winslow on her recent passing and honors her life and legacy, and recognizes her outstanding contributions to the legal community and dedication to civic duty for New Castle County.

Adopted by the County Council
of New Castle County on 04/08/2014

President of County Council
of New Castle County

SYNOPSIS: Same as title

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no discernible fiscal impact.