## BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH PROCLAMATION AGUDATH ACHIM ONE HUNDRED YEAR ANNIVESARY

WHEREAS, the year 2024, marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Agudath Achim Synagogue in the Borough of Bradley Beach; and

**WHEREAS,** In the late 1800's a group of Jewish men gathered together to pray. The five men called themselves the Son's of Abraham and met in various homes. On September 23, 1923, they signed the papers to incorporate as Congregation Agudath Achim. On that same day they purchased a house on the corner of McCabe and Beach Avenues, 711 Beach Avenue; and

**WHEREAS,** in 1924 the Congregation purchased a square lot on the corner of McCabe and Central Avenues and in 1927 they celebrated the completion of the new Synagogue in its present location. Through expansions and renovations the building eventually included a Community Center, Auditorium, Offices, and Library as you see today; and

**WHEREAS,** The Synagogue attracted the many Jewish summer residents that came to Bradley Beach every year from Newark, New York, and Long Island, assuring them that they had a place of worship all summer. Many of them are now our all-year residents. The Synagogue plays an important part in their lives for both social and religious gatherings.

**WHEREAS,** Over the years the Congregation has served the community with events in the Park, that welcome the entire community, formed a team to face the Police Department in a Basketball game called "Jews vs. Blues" and invited the Governing Body to various social events.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Bradley Beach urge the community to join in recognition and appreciation for the members, past and present, of the congregation of Agudath Achim for their commitment and generous contributions to our entire community.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

Larry Fox, Mayor

Jane DeNoble, Council President

Al Gubitosi, Councilman

Kristen Mahoney, Councilwoman

John Weber, Councilman