

Presented to

# Martin S. Begun

With our deepest appreciation for your dedicated service to New York and the nation in this historic year as a member of the Electoral College in support of Al Gore and Joseph Lieberman

December 18, 2000

Judith Hope State Chair

Chair of the Executive Committee

# Citation

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for contributing to the quality of health care in New York State as a member of the State Hospital Review and Planning Council

From August 4, 1999 to March 8, 2001

Chairman

**Executive Secretary** 



#### STATE OF NEW YORK

BY

# Alexander F. Treadwell Secretary of State

I, Alexander F. Treadwell, Secretary of State of the State of New York, do hereby certify that the following ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT and VICE-PRESIDENT for the State of New York did convene at twelve noon on Monday, December 18, 2000, to elect Al Gore of the State of Tennessee as President and Joe Lieberman of the State of Connecticut as Vice President of the United States of America.

Susan I. Abramowitz Leslie Alpert Martin S. Begun David L. Cohen Carolee A. Conklin Martin Connor Lorraine Cortez Vasquez Inez E. Dickens Daniel F. Donohue Cynthia Emmer Herman D. Farrell, Jr. **Emily Giske** Patrick G. Halpin Raymond B. Harding Judith Hope Denis M. Hughes Virginia Kee

Bertha Lewis Alberta Madonna Thomas J. Manton Deborah Marciano Helen Marshall Carl McCall Elizabeth F. Momrow Clarence Norman, Jr. Shirley O'Connell G. Steven Pigeon Roberto Ramirez Michael Schell Sheldon Silver Andrew Spano Eliot Spitzer Randi Weingarten



In Testimony Whereof, the Great Seal of the State is hereunto affixed.

Wilness my hand at the City of Albany, the eighteenth day of December, in the year two thousand.

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### CITATION

In today's world of ever-increasing professional specialization, it takes a rare individual with consummate diplomatic skills to bring together the disparate players necessary to achieve real change in public policy in order to advance a worthy cause.

Such has been the unique role of Dean Martin Begun in his compassionate devotion to the plight of the mentally ill in our society. Never one to demur from a worthy struggle, as evidenced by his passionate advocacy on behalf of the homeless mentally ill, he brings a remarkable blend of sharp intellect, keen insight and adroit political skills to bear on the governmental process. Mayors, governors, commissioners and legislators of every stripe have grown accustomed to his deft presentation of a human service agenda, with disarming humor and charm. Surely, the International Committee Against Mental Illness has recognized these unusual talents in awarding him the distinguished Nathan Kline Medal of Merit.

His leadership of the City's Mental Health Community Services Board and his membership on several councils and commissions has provided constructive and valued counsel at critical moments in the evolution of a stronger community-based system of care.

His extraordinary devotion to the Jewish community and to the advancement of minorities in the medical profession have also earned him richly deserved recognition.

His outstanding service to the people of the State of New York is appropriately highlighted on this auspicious occasion.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mario M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby take pleasure in citing

### MARTIN S. BEGUN

and extend my congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of this special honor.



Mario M. Deromo

January 22, 1988



# Citation

### hereas, the Empire State is fortunate to be home to many distinguished individuals whose contributions to our society have improved the lives of thousands of New Yorkers and fellow Americans; in that regard, all New Yorkers are proud to join in acknowledging these citizens and in recognizing their personal milestones; and

Aphereas, Martin S. Begun is one such New Yorker who has made exceptionally meritorious contributions to the welfare of the people of our State and Nation through his tireless efforts in the fields of healthcare, education, government service and community relations, as well as his overall commitment to humankind; and

Ambrecas, Mr. Begun was born and raised in New York City, received his Master's Degree from Columbia University and served at New York University Medical Center and School of Medicine as Associate Dean from 1966 to 1997 and Associate Professor from 1976 to 1997, where he labored to improve the quality and delivery of healthcare services for thousands; and

Thereas, inspired by his strong sense of patriotic duty, Mr. Begun served our Nation with honor as a sergeant in the United States Army and, in 1958, while stationed in the Republic of Korea, he was awarded the Commendation Medal by order of the Secretary of the Army; and

Hereas, Mr. Begun has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to community service, having voluntarily served in numerous positions including that of President of the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York (1995-1998), Chair of the Board of Advisors of the Baruch School of Public Affairs (2000-), member of the Mayoral Task Force on Police/Community Relations (1997-1998), and member of the Battery Park City Authority; and

Aphereas, in recognition of his service to community, Mr. Begun received special honors from The Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty, The American Jewish Committee, The American Jewish Congress, and was a recipient of The Ellis Island Medal of Honor; he also is an Honorary Life Member of The Holy Name Society of the New York City Police Department and is an Honorary Member of the New York City Fire Department; and

Thereas, Mr. Begun continues to serve his community and contribute to the well-being of our State as Senior Fellow of the New York University Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service and by using his knowledge and expertise in this field to benefit the greater New York State population; it is most fitting that all New Yorkers join to congratulate him on this memorable occasion;

Dow, Therefore, I, George E. Pataki, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby confer this Special Citation upon

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on the occasion of his 70th birthday and in honor of his great contributions to our State, Nation, and society as a whole.



Mr E. Bet.

Governor June 2002



## CITATION

An advocate for positive social change uses his energy, imagination and strength in the service of others, always seeking to improve the quality of life of those unable to speak for themselves.

So it has been with Martin S. Begun, a friend whom we hold in the highest esteem for his pursuit of justice for those rendered helpless by chronic mental disability. His pleas on their behalf have extended to all levels of government, advocating for bold, new and creative measures to deal effectively and compassionately with their needs.

His sense of responsibility is reflected in his willingness to give freely of his time as a member and chairman of the New York City Mental Health Board and as a member of the Mental Health Services Council. His wisdom added substance to the deliberations of the Governor's Select Commission on the Future of the State-Local Mental Health System established to recommend procedures and policies to redress problems of the past.

Martin Begun truly cares that others are in need. Relieving their suffering and improving their lives are the motivating forces of his efforts.

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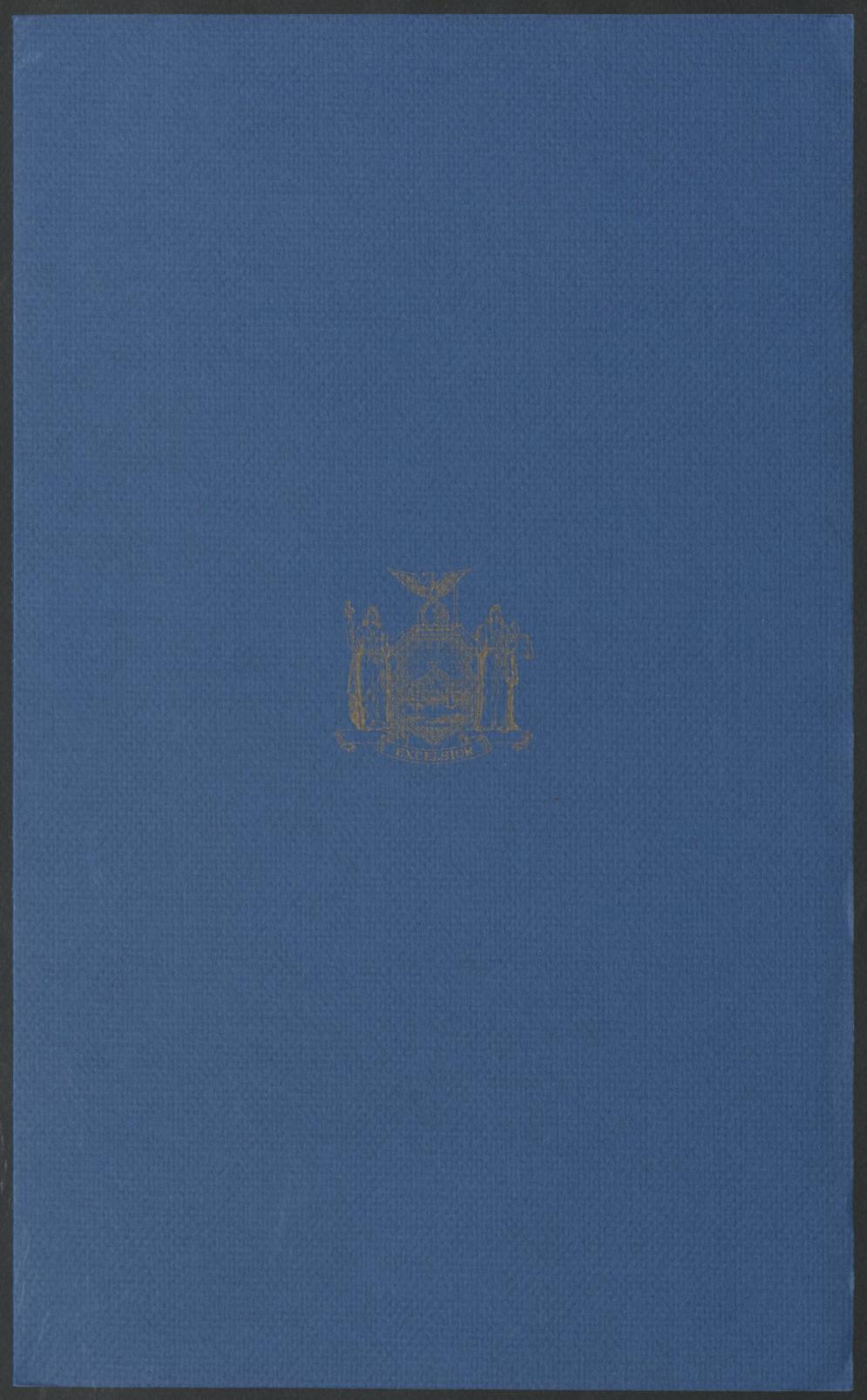
with our heartfelt appreciation for his many accomplishments and for his outstanding service to the people of the State of New York.



December 3, 1984

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