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**LEGISLATOR STEVE STERN SURPRISES LORETTA SEHLMAYER WITH “WOMAN OF DISTINCTION” AWARD**



*Legislator Steve Stern awards Loretta Sehmeyer with a surprise Proclamation, naming her the “2014 Woman of Distinction” for the 16<sup>th</sup> Legislative District.*

**HUNTINGTON, NY** – Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern (D-Huntington) 16<sup>th</sup> LD, surprised Loretta Sehmeyer, of Dix Hills, with a proclamation, naming her the “2014 Woman of Distinction” for her exemplary service to our community, Monday May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Sehmeyer, who has been a dedicated volunteer with Island Harvest for 14 years, was busy organizing food donations from the annual Postal Service “Stamp Out Hunger” Food Drive when Legislator Stern paid a visit to the collection warehouse. Surrounded by cheering volunteers, Sehmeyer was named the 16<sup>th</sup> Legislative

District's "2014 Woman of Distinction," an honor reserved for an individual who has made an outstanding commitment to help others in our community.

Demonstrating compassion and dedication to those in need, Sehlmeier captains neighborhood food drives, organizes volunteers, conducts outreach regarding hunger awareness in schools and businesses and works as a food rescue volunteer. She also helps local animal rescue organizations and serves as a Eucharistic Minister at St. Matthews Roman Catholic Church, bringing communion to the sick and homebound. In addition, Sehlmeier is a frequent blood donor and blood drive organizer.

"It is my sincere pleasure to honor Loretta Sehlmeier. Her devotion, compassion and enthusiasm are recognized by everyone in the community. Everything that she does is motivated by a deep and abiding concern for the well-being of others and we are all fortunate to know her and to benefit from her years of service to our community."