

WHEREAS, during the tumultuous years, 1984 to 1992, following the passage of the Bankruptcy Amendments and Federal Judgeship Act of 1984, Leonard M. Rosen (Len) was the Chairman of the National Bankruptcy Conference and also had served the Conference for almost 40 years as an extraordinary, outstanding conferee and longtime member of the Executive Committee of the Conference;

WHEREAS, as a major contributor to the work of the Conference, Len was animated by an intense dedication and desire to enhance and improve the bankruptcy laws of the United States and the administration of bankruptcy cases;

WHEREAS, as a member of the Conference, Len was actively engaged in and made a major contribution to the formulation and enactment of the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978;

WHEREAS, Len, as a founding member of the prominent law firm of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, created its distinguished and highly-recognized creditors' rights practice group and was a preeminent and influential leader in the reform and development of laws relating to bankruptcy, reorganization and business restructuring;

WHEREAS, Len was also recognized for his achievements as an Adjunct Professor of Law at New York University School of Law for many years and as a nationally recognized lecturer, contributor and participant in continuing legal education programs sponsored by the American Law Institute / American Bar Association, American College of Bankruptcy and numerous other organizations dedicated to educating the legal and financial communities in respect of restructurings and bankruptcy reorganizations and was one of the founders of the NYU Annual Lawrence P. King and Charles Seligson Workshop on Bankruptcy and Business Reorganization, now in its 40th year;

WHEREAS, Len was a man for all seasons, intellectual, practical and public-spirited, whose sense of fairness and good judgment in resolving complex, difficult legal and commercial issues was widely acknowledged and who daily reminded us through his conduct that as an advocate for his client's cause, a lawyer could be an effective adversary without being adversarial;

WHEREAS, Len made an indelible, positive impact on the Conference, its objectives and its reputation.

NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED that the National Bankruptcy Conference recognizes the achievements, contributions, and exceptional character and abilities of Leonard M. Rosen and expresses its most sincere condolences and sympathy to his beloved spouse, Phyllis, his sons, Adam, Steven and David, his daughter, Carol, and his nine grandchildren, whose accomplishments always filled him with a great sense of pride and joy.