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Senate Resolution No. 1384

BY: Senator GRIFFO

HONORING Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. upon the occasion of celebrating the 35th Anniversary of his priestly ordination

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. upon the occasion of celebrating the 35th Anniversary of his priestly ordination on June 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Born in Oswego, New York, John Francis Hogan, Jr. graduated from Oswego High School in 1974; he went on to study at Wadhams Hall Seminary College and earned his Bachelor's degree in philosophy at SUNY Oswego; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. completed his

theological studies at Christ the King Seminary in East Aurora, New York; he was ordained on June 4, 1988; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 2019, Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. was appointed the 16th Pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church in Camden, New York where he continues to serve today; he previously served as the Pastor of

St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Oswego, New York, St. John the Baptist in Rome, New York, St. John the Evangelist in Pulaski, New York, and St. Francis Xavier in Lacona, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. was also the parochial vicar at St. Matthew's Church in East Syracuse, New York; his first assignment was parochial vicar at St. Charles Borromeo in Syracuse; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious career, Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. also served as chaplain for the Hibernians from 1988 to 1994 at St. Camillus in Syracuse, and chaplain of the Knights of Columbus in Pulaski from 1995 to 2003; in addition, he served five terms (20 years) on the Diocesan Presbyteral Council, including one year as chairperson; and

WHEREAS, During his 35 years as a priest, Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. faithfully served his parishioners and community by bringing new members into the church through Baptism, providing spiritual direction, visiting the sick, uniting couples in holy matrimony,

instructing in faith, performing funerals and burials, and providing daily prayers for the People of God; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when a

person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr. upon the occasion of celebrating the 35th Anniversary of his priestly ordination; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Reverend John Francis Hogan, Jr.