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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Michael W. Elice, M.D., upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by New York Families for Autistic Children on February 26, 2009

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Michael W. Elice, M.D., upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by New York Families for Autistic Children at its Dinner/Dance to be held on Thursday, February 26, 2009; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Dr. Elice has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless endeavors on behalf of autistic children and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elice is a board certified pediatrician who has been in practice for 30 years; originally in practice in Great Neck, New York, he joined with Dr. Boris and created their pioneering practice, Autism Associates of New York; and

WHEREAS, Through this specialized practice, Dr. Elice works tirelessly to find alternative approaches to help treat his patients diagnosed with ASD; most of the pediatric allopathic community has been trained to approach autism as a behavioral disorder without any thought of medical intervention; thus far, only ABA, Speech, Physical and Occupational Therapies have been the core of treatments; Dr. Elice and Dr. Boris seek to take treatment beyond these mainstays; and

WHEREAS, Biomedical treatment of autism and ASD is based on the idea that autism is actually a complex neurodevelopmental disorder with genetic, epigenetic, metabolic and autoimmune origins; by taking thorough medical and family histories, complete physical examination and neurological examination, evaluating blood and urine laboratory tests, the etiology of the individual's disorder can be determined in most cases; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elice follows the Defeat Autism Now! protocol which includes dietary manipulation, vitamin and mineral supplementation, and allergy testing and treatment, as well as chelation of toxic metals such as mercury, aluminum, arsenic, antimony, nickel, cadmium and intestinal dysbiosis treatment; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Syracuse University and the Chicago Medical School, Dr. Elice completed his pediatric residency at the North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset, New York; and

WHEREAS, Well-known and highly respected, Dr. Elice has numerous academic teaching positions and is on the staff of North Shore University Hospital and Schneider Children's Hospital; he is also an associate professor of pediatrics at the New York University Medical School and the Albert Einstein School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dr. Elice is on the medical advisory board of the New York Families for Autistic Children (NYFAC) and is a member of the National Autism Association New York Metro Chapter; he has lectured at Defeat Autism Now! conferences around the country; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his service, a period of constructive involvement, Dr. Elice has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Elice has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Michael W. Elice, M.D., upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by New York Families for Autistic Children; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Michael W. Elice, M.D.