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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Dr. Marvin Boris 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 Dr. Marvin Boris 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. Boris 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. Boris has been a practicing pediatrician, allergist and immunologist for 45 years; as his practice became more specialized in the treatment of allergy and immunology, he began to see more and more patients who were diagnosed as having an autistic spectrum disorder; this led him to the understanding that autism is an immunological disorder with a genetic predisposition as well as biochemical bases; and

WHEREAS, Although early intervention programs with ABA, speech, physical and occupational therapies are readily available once the diagnosis is made, Dr. Boris has learned that without treatment of the allergic and immunological etiologies, the autistic symptomatology persists; he, along with Dr. Elice, apply this pioneering approach when treating their patients at their practice, Autism Associates of New York; and

WHEREAS, Since 2001, Dr. Boris has been involved in the Defeat Autism

Now! Protocol; he evaluates and treats patients on "the autistic spectrum" using elimination of gluten and casein from the diet, allergy testing and desensitization, supplements with vitamins, minerals, essential fatty acids and digestive enzymes, and treats intestinal dysbiosis and chelation of toxic metals; the individual protocols are designed for each patient depending on results of extensive history, physical examination and laboratory investigation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boris graduated from Union College in 1954, and from New York University Medical School in 1958; he did his pediatric residency and allergy training at the New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center; since 1963, he has been in a private pediatric, allergy/immunology practice in Woodbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, Well-known and highly respected, Dr. Boris is a diplomate of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Board of Allergy and Immunology; he is a member of the American Academy of Environmental Medicine; he is also a Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the New York University School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his service, a period of constructive involvement, Dr. Boris 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. Boris 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 Dr. Marvin Boris 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 Dr. Marvin Boris.