

## 2009-J519

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Ann P. Driscoll upon the occasion of her designation as the Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Mahopac, New York, on March 8, 2009

WHEREAS, Saint Patrick's Day is a time for all to celebrate the rich heritage of the Irish people, unlimited in their contributions to this greatly diverse land of ours; and

WHEREAS, A Saint Patrick's Day parade reflects and records the ongoing history of the United States and Ireland, and provides an opportunity for people of all generations to assemble in ethnic pride and pageantry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Ann P. Driscoll upon the occasion of her designation as the Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Mahopac, New York, on Sunday, March 8, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Born in the Bronx, New York, to Irish-American parents, Ann P. Driscoll is the youngest of four children; she attended St. Philip Neri school and parish, where she would meet her lifelong companion, Stephen P. Driscoll; and

WHEREAS, The couple married and moved to California where Stephen P. Driscoll was stationed in the United States Navy; soon after, their son, Barry, was born; after graduating from Watterson College, she and her family moved back to New York, first the Bronx, then Croton, and finally settling in the town of Lake Carmel, Putnam County, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ann P. Driscoll joined the MTA Metro-North Railroad and 19 years later serves as Senior Manager of Human Resources; along the way, she has developed a strong passion for the Yankees, rock music, sports cars, and extensive traveling; and

WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001, Ann P. Driscoll lost her beloved husband, New York City Police Officer Stephen P. Driscoll, ESU-4, at the World Trade Center; she continues to carry on his spirit through her tireless work with the Fraternal Order of Police, the PBA's Widow's and Children's Fund, Tuesday's Children and countless organizations which

carry her and Stephen's goal of community service; and  
WHEREAS, A fitting choice for the Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Ann P. Driscoll embodies the spirit and the cherished ideals and values of Irish-Americans of this great State and Nation; and  
WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend those individuals for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it  
RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Ann P. Driscoll upon the occasion of her designation as the Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Mahopac, New York, on March 8, 2009; and be it further  
RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ann P. Driscoll.