

## 2009-J462

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mary Zissler-Lynch upon the occasion of her induction into the Bishop Kearney High School Hall of Fame on March 6, 2009

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend individuals who have distinguished themselves in their chosen field of endeavor, in their community, or through a lifetime of good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend Mary Zissler-Lynch upon the occasion of her induction into the Bishop Kearney High School Hall of Fame at the school's Hall of Fame Dinner Dance, to be held at Sirico's Caterers in Brooklyn on March 6, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Kearney High School, Brooklyn, New York, has a proud tradition of a strong educational program, founded in faith and encouraging personal and educational development, coupled with commitment to faith and to engaged citizenship; and

WHEREAS, The Bishop Kearney High School Hall of Fame honors outstanding members of the Bishop Kearney family and community who exemplify and support Kearney's mission to educate young women and whose lives and accomplishments exemplify the tenets of the school; and

WHEREAS, Mary Zissler-Lynch, Principal of Public School 194, the Raoul Wallenberg School, truly merits such recognition; and

WHEREAS, Mary Zissler-Lynch, the only daughter among Christopher and Marie Zissler's six children, was born and educated in Brooklyn and has worked there her entire life as well; and

WHEREAS, After her graduation from Bishop Kearney High School in 1972, she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communication and education from

Hunter College of The City University of New York in 1976, a master's degree in education with a specialization in reading for grades K-12 from Fordham University in 1981, and an Advanced Certificate in Administration and Supervision from City University's Brooklyn College in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Mary Zissler-Lynch's career as a dedicated and distinguished educator includes six years as a teacher of 7th and 1st grade students at Immaculate Heart of Mary School in Brooklyn followed by three years teaching in P. S. 105 in District 20; and

WHEREAS, Then, while taking time to raise her children and care for her family, Mary Zissler-Lynch worked for five years as a religion teacher in the catechetical program of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, after which she resumed her career, teaching writing and library in the primary grades at P. S. 193 in District 22 for seven years; and

WHEREAS, In 1999, she was named Assistant Principal of Brooklyn's P.S. 194, the Raoul Wallenberg School, and for the past seven years, has served ably and impressively as the Principal of the school; and

WHEREAS, Mary Zissler-Lynch has devoted her entire professional life to the education of New York City's children, 20 years as a teacher, Assistant Principal and Principal in the city's public schools, and six years as a primary grade teacher in the parochial schools of the Diocese of Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband of 31 years, Kevin Lynch, and their children, Kevin Michael and Kristen, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Mary Zissler-Lynch's induction into the Bishop Kearney High School Hall of Fame is a well-deserved and fitting recognition of her achievements and contributions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Mary Zissler-Lynch upon the occasion of her induction into the

Bishop Kearney High School Hall of Fame on March 6, 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary Zissler-Lynch.