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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Nancy Barbuto DeMartino upon the occasion of her induction into Fontbonne Hall Academy's Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Nancy Barbuto DeMartino upon the occasion of her induction into Fontbonne Hall Academy's Hall of Fame, to be celebrated at its annual Fleur de Lys Dinner Dance on Wednesday, May 6, 2009; and WHEREAS, Nancy DeMartino was born and raised in Brooklyn; she received her educational foundation in Visitation Academy, and upon her gradu-

her educational foundation in Visitation Academy, and upon her graduation, she decided to follow in her sister, Jennifer's footsteps and attend Fontbonne Hall Academy; and

WHEREAS, As a child, Nancy DeMartino had always displayed creativity and a penchant for drawing, but it was at Fontbonne that this creativity was truly able to blossom; her inspiration was her art teacher, Mr. Bellinger; he was the one who encouraged her love of the arts so much that she chose art as her major; and

WHEREAS, While a student, Nancy DeMartino was involved in many activities and made lifelong friends; her aptitude for and love of the arts gained her admission into the renowned School of Visual Arts (SVA), where she majored in graphic design; while a student at SVA, Nancy DeMartino worked for Donna Karan, designing jewelry; and WHEREAS, Upon graduation, Nancy DeMartino obtained a job with the prestigious advertising agency, Wells, Rich and Greene, airing commercials for both radio and television; although she liked her job, she felt that something was missing; therefore, she later went on to work as a visual display artist for Macy's and FAO Schwarz; and

WHEREAS, Since her graduation 25 years ago, Nancy DeMartino has maintained strong ties to the Fontbonne community as an alumna; she has served as a class representative for reunions, connecting with old friends and classmates; she has also attended events such as previous Fleur de Lys Dinners and the annual Fashion Show/Scholarship Dinner; and WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Michael, their children, Nancy and Michael, Jr., all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievement; 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 honor Nancy Barbuto DeMartino upon the occasion of her induction into Fontbonne Hall Academy's Hall of Fame; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nancy Barbuto DeMartino.