

## 2009-J3890

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Joseph B. Cavallaro Council No. 4884, Knights of Columbus

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those fraternal organizations of high purpose and worthy accomplishment whose endeavors have faithfully served the welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Joseph B. Cavallaro Council No. 4884, Knights of Columbus on Sunday, April 11, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Joseph B. Cavallaro Council No. 4884, Knights of Columbus was founded in February of 1960; it was named after a prominent community leader in the Bensonhurst area of Brooklyn, Dr. Joseph B. Cavallaro, an outstanding Catholic layman and American citizen devoting himself to the practice of his Catholic Faith and to the interests of his community; and

WHEREAS, In December of 1948, Dr. Cavallaro was appointed as "Knight of the Holy Sepulchre" by His Holiness Pope Pius 12th with approval of His Excellency Thomas E. Molloy, then Bishop of Brooklyn; in September of 1952, he was elevated to "Knight Commander of the Holy Sepulchre" by His Holiness Pope Pius 12th with approval of His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cavallaro passed away on August 22, 1957; today, the members of Joseph B. Cavallaro Council are proud to follow his leadership through the Knights of Columbus where they have the opportunity to offer their time and energy to the needs of mankind; and

WHEREAS, Each year, just before Thanksgiving, the Joseph B. Cavallaro Council No. 4884 collects food and clothing for the needy; the food is donated to St. Athanasius' Food Pantry where it is distributed to neigh-

borhood families going through hardships; the clothes are then donated to an organization called CHIPS, a nonprofit charitable organization that has been dedicated to helping the poor, needy, and homeless; and WHEREAS, Also known as Park Slope Christian Help, CHIPS serves more than 70,000 meals annually and gives temporary shelter to more than 2,000 people each year; and

WHEREAS, Organizations of singular distinction such as the Joseph B. Cavallaro Council No. 4884, Knights of Columbus provide a model for enhancing the quality of life in the community and, as such, merit the grateful praise of the community of the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Joseph B. Cavallaro Council No. 4884, Knights of Columbus; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Joseph B. Cavallaro Council No. 4884, Knights of Columbus.