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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Aniello J. "Neil" Callari upon the occasion of his induction into the Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School Hall of Fame on April 28, 2010

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 in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Aniello J. "Neil" Callari upon the occasion of his induction into the Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School Hall of Fame at the school's 2010 Charter Dinner, to be held at the Grand Ballroom at the Dyker Beach Golf Course in Brooklyn on Wednesday, April 28, 2010; and

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

WHEREAS, Aniello J. "Neil" Callari, Class of 1969 and owner of Brooklyn Media, Inc., truly merits such recognition; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Brooklyn, New York, Neil Callari now lives on Brooklyn Street in Austin, Texas, where his company, Brooklyn Media, Inc., produces advertising materials; and

WHEREAS, Neil Callari always wanted a career as an artist; as with all freshmen, when he entered Bishop Ford in 1965, he had to take the obligatory Art Class, taught by Brother Jonathan Ringkamp, once a week; at the end of his freshman year, when the school introduced the first Art Majors Program in a Catholic high school, Neil Callari signed up on the spot; and

WHEREAS, In the following years, he applied himself almost exclusively to art; he studied art under Brother Jonathan and Deloris Creagan and was an active member of Bishop Ford's Art and Drama Clubs; and

WHEREAS, After graduation, he attended The School of Visual Arts in New York City, from which he graduated with honors; and

WHEREAS, He entered the advertising industry and went on to become an award-winning writer, designer, director and producer of hundreds of print ads and radio and television commercials and to teach advertising at his alma mater, The School of Visual Arts, for several years; and

WHEREAS, Neil Callari's induction into the Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School Hall of Fame is a well-deserved and fitting recognition of his achievements and contributions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Aniello J. "Neil" Callari upon the occasion of his induction into the Bishop Ford Central Catholic High School Hall of Fame on April 28, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Aniello J. Callari.