

## 2009-J5045

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Police Officer David Mahmoud upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition on May 6, 2010 for his distinguished service to the 75th Precinct and as a 1st Responder on 9/11

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who would devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Police Officer David Mahmoud upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition for his distinguished service to the 75th Precinct and as a 1st Responder on 9/11; a celebration will be held in his honor on Thursday, May 6, 2010, at Savannah Lounge, East Meadow, New York; and

WHEREAS, Appointed to the New York City Police Department on June 30, 1995, Officer David Mahmoud was assigned to the 75th Precinct upon completion of his training at the Police Academy; and

WHEREAS, Prior to being a Police Officer, David Mahmoud worked as a butcher in his family's grocery store where he learned the value of hard work and dedication, which his parents instilled in him, and he remembered those values each and every time he donned a New York Police Department uniform; and

WHEREAS, Officer Mahmoud spent nine years in a patrol squad in the 75th Precinct, learning to handle any and all Police related calls for

assistance; during this time, he was respected by both his peers and the community and earned the reputation of a levelheaded and knowledgeable Patrolman in the communities of East New York, Cypress Hills, City Line and Starett City; and

WHEREAS, After several years of cultivating his craft as a Police Officer while proudly "pushing a sector car", which is police lingo for handling a steady sector, Officer David Mahmoud was rewarded for his hard work and knowledge by being assigned to the Elite 75th Precinct Burglary Apprehension Team unit; and

WHEREAS, During his assignment to the 75th Precinct while serving both the Patrol and Burglary Units, crime had taken an unprecedented drop in both the community he served and the City of New York; Officer David Mahmoud was an integral part of the New York Police Department in returning Brooklyn and New York City to be the "safest" big cities in the United States; and

WHEREAS, During his career, Officer David Mahmoud has been credited with over 200 arrests and has earned two Commendations, five Meritorious Police Duty and 15 Excellent Police Duty awards; and

WHEREAS, Officer David Mahmoud was a 1st responder to the World Trade Center terrorist attack and spent over one hundred hours at Ground Zero during the weeks and months immediately following September 11th, witnessing firsthand the disaster; and

WHEREAS, During the months and years following the 9/11 attacks, Officer David Mahmoud generously contributed to the rebuilding of the bruised City by volunteering his time and financially assisting those Officers and their families who were immediately affected by the attacks; sometimes, the greatest attributes he offered were his ears and

a wise word of wisdom he could relay to a younger colleague as a respected mentor of the 75th Precinct family; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Bessie, and their three daughters, Cynthia, Ashly and Amber, all of whom feel privileged

to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Police Officer David Mahmoud upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition on May 6, 2010, for his distinguished service to the 75th Precinct and as a 1st Responder on 9/11; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Police Officer David Mahmoud.