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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Michael Rosato upon the occasion of receiving the Distinguished Member Award from the National Police Defense Foundation on May 13, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize those individuals of preeminent character whose lives exemplify the highest ideals of humanity and whose lifework and civic endeavor serve to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Michael Rosato upon the occasion of receiving the Distinguished Member Award from the National Police Defense Foundation at its Annual Awards Dinner to be held on Thursday, May 13, 2010, at Russo's on the Bay, Howard Beach, New York; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Michael Rosato has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to his community and profession and consequently has been designated for this most prestigious award; and WHEREAS, In 1989, Michael Rosato attended the Suffolk County Police Academy, Class 89-104 as a Part-Time Police Officer; three weeks before graduation he was interviewed and appointed as a Police Officer for the Incorporated Village of Ocean Beach Police Department on Fire Island; his tenure with OBPD started as a seasonal Police Officer but before the season ended he was promoted to part time where he served four off seasons and five summers; and

WHEREAS, The following year, Michael Rosato was hired as a seasonal Police Officer with the Town of Riverhead Police Department where he was made part-time at season's end; and

WHEREAS, While working for both Departments, Michael Rosato applied to work for the NYPD; while awaiting word from NYPD, he accepted an appointment with the China Lake Police Department which is governed by the Department of Defense and a branch of the Naval Intelligence Services; and

WHEREAS, Michael Rosato was assigned to China Lake Naval Weapons Base in California and after two short years he received a call from the NYPD that his background was complete and he would be in the next class; and WHEREAS, After completing the NYPD Police Academy, Michael Rosato was assigned to the 65th Precinct in Brooklyn and later worked at 100th Precinct in the Rockaways in the Borough of Queens; he later detailed to the Criminal Justice Bureau in the Queens Criminal Courts Section where he completed his career; and

WHEREAS, In December 2007, Michael Rosato was appointed as the Delegate for the National Police Defense Foundation and has been intimately involved in the administration of the Operation Kids and Safe Cop programs; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Laura, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; and WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, intellect and commitment as that demonstrated by Michael Rosato over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Michael Rosato upon the occasion of receiving the Distinguished Member Award from the National Police Defense Foundation on May 13, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Michael Rosato.