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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Edmund J. Moderacki upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Civic Award from the Bay Ridge Community Council on June 3, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Edmund J. Moderacki upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Civic Award from the Bay Ridge Community Council at its 59th Annual Dinner Dance to be held on Thursday, June 3, 2010, at El Caribe Country Club, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Edmund J. Moderacki has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in his unwavering service to his community and subsequently has been selected for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, A life-long resident of Bay Ridge, New York, Edmund J. Moderacki is a graduate of Brooklyn Technical High School and has a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from New York Polytechnic University and a Master's degree in Ocean Engineering from Long Island University; and

WHEREAS, With great pride and distinction, Edmund J. Moderacki served in the United States Marine Corps in the Pacific during World War II; after a successful career, he retired from the Sperry Rand Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Edmund J. Moderacki has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Edmund J. Moderacki is the current President of the Bay Ridge AARP and Saint Anselm Holy Name Society; he is a member of the Senior Advisory Board of the Bay Ridge Center for Older Adults, Bay Ridge

Interagency Council on the Aging, Polish Roman Catholic Union, Knights of Columbus, Bay Ridge Sesquicentennial Committee, American Heritage Club, and American Legion Post 157; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Edmund J. Moderacki has worked tirelessly in many organizations on projects and committees to enhance the quality of life for Bay Ridge senior citizens; he has promoted legislation to protect seniors from fraud, worked to establish standards for assisted living and nursing home safety and quality of life, worked to keep seniors informed of their rights and to represent their concerns to elected officials, while advocating for legislation to enhance Medicare benefits and lower costs for prescription drugs for the elderly; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Edmund J. Moderacki has untiringly participated in the Bay Ridge Center Miles for Meals Walk-a-thon, Golf Outing, and Anniversary Dinner to raise funds for vehicles to distribute Meals on Wheels within the Bay Ridge community; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the Bay Ridge Community Council, Edmund J. Moderacki chaired and served on the Senior Affairs committee and Veterans committee; he was chairman of the Annual Blood Drive of the Saint Anselm Holy Name Society benefiting New York Blood Center; he also ran the Lenten Soup Supper, which provides contributions to agencies, which service the needy, such as battered women shelters and food pantries in the area, and has collected coats and used clothing for the poor; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Edmund J. Moderacki has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of his efforts of in-depth magnitude, Edmund J. Moderacki has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades; he has received the Senior Achievement of the Interagency Council on Aging, The Alumnus Recognition Award of Polytechnic University, The Rita Duhig Award for Good Citizenship of the Interagency Council on Aging, Certificate of Honor of the Polish Roman Catholic Union, AARP Special Citation for Outstanding Service to the Community and the Bay Ridge Community Council Treasure of Bay Ridge Award; and

WHEREAS, Edmund J. Moderacki is the proud father of four wonderful children, and the loving grandfather of three grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Edmund J. Moderacki has displayed throughout his life; 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 commend Edmund J. Moderacki upon the occasion of receiving the 2010 Civic Award from the Bay Ridge Community Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Edmund J. Moderacki.