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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Debra Izzo upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Board Member of the Year Award by the Bellmore Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Debra Izzo of the Dirty Dawg has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Debra Izzo upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Board Member of the Year Award by the Bellmore Chamber of Commerce to be celebrated at its Annual Installation Dinner on January 29, 2011; and

WHEREAS, When she was a little girl, Debra Izzo wanted to be a Veterinarian; while attending high school and college, she had many opportunities as to what to do when she graduated; while she enjoyed animal science and acting in her high school years, when it came time to pick college courses, she chose accounting and computer programming; both were sufficient and she did well, however being a person who enjoys interacting with people, she felt stagnated in an office environment; and

WHEREAS, While having a large variety of jobs in the past, Debra Izzo felt that nothing fulfilled her enough to pursue a full career until she started grooming; her career started at the Willow Pet Hotel in 1992 and then proceeded to Dog Grooming by Rachel where she worked for 11 years; it was now time to move forward and consider opening a business of her own; and

WHEREAS, the Dirty Dawg in North Bellmore, New York opened in 2006; a family business dedicated to its clients, today, it continues to serve the Bellmore/Merrick communities while gaining a number of clients who travel from as far away as Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, Debra Izzo's goal was to have a small shop that gives personal and friendly service with her motto being "Bring them in

soiled, get them back spoiled!"; and

WHEREAS, President of the Dirty Dawg, Debra Izzo has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce of the Bellmores since 2006 and has served on the Board of Directors since 2008; she serves on various committees such as Programs and Hospitality, Beautification, Street Fair and Awards; and WHEREAS, Debra Izzo has had many opportunities to sponsor a wide variety of clubs, organizations and events, including: The Kennedy High School Soccer Team, the Students of Bellmore Educational Reference Folders, the Annual Strawberry Festival, Bellmore Barks and the 24th Annual Bellmore Family Street Festival; she also supports the National Child I.D. Kits and Family Lifeline; and

WHEREAS, Debra Izzo has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Debra Izzo has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Debra Izzo has displayed throughout her 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 honor Debra Izzo upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Board Member of the Year Award by the Bellmore Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Debra Izzo.