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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Monsignor Charles J. Fahey upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2011 Loretto Legacy Award on May 20, 2011

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, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Monsignor Charles J. Fahey upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2011 Loretto Legacy Award at the 7th Annual Older Americans Month Celebration Luncheon and 2011 Loretto Legacy Awards on Friday, May 20, 2011; and

WHEREAS, A priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey served in parishes and Catholic Charities from 1959 until 1979 when he became the Director of Fordham University's the Third Age Center; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey was named the University's Marie Ward Doty Professor of Aging Studies in 1980, and became the Center's Senior Associate in 1992; he moved to Professor Emeritus on July 1, 2001; since 1997, he has served as a Program Officer for the University's Milbank Memorial Fund; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey 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, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey has been active both in health and aging activities at the local, State, National and International levels;

he was a charter member of the Federal Council on Aging, having been appointed by Presidents Nixon, Ford and Carter; he played an active role in the leadership of the 1971, 1981 and 1995 White House Conferences on Aging; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey was a member of the Holy See's delegation to the 1982 United Nations World Assembly on Aging (Vienna) and of the United States delegation to the 2002 Second World Assembly on Aging (Madrid); and

WHEREAS, This remarkable man has served on the boards of the Catholic Health Association, the National Council on Aging, The Sisters of Mercy Health Care System (St. Louis) and the Daughters of Charity National Health System; he was a board member and president of the American Association for Homes and Services for the Aging, Catholic Charities USA and the American Society on Aging; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey is a member of the National Board of the Volunteers of America, and the American Foundation for Aging Research; he serves as a consultant on ethics to the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging and The American Health Care Association; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, he serves as a member of the National Commission for Quality Long-Term Care, he is a fellow of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Science, the Gerontological Society of America, the National Academy of Social Insurance and the New York Academy of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, A recipient of four honorary degrees, Monsignor Charles J. Fahey was also awarded the 2011 Hall of Fame Award by the American Society on Aging in April; and

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

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individ-

ual for the benefit of others which Monsignor Charles J. Fahey has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Monsignor Charles J. Fahey upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2011 Loretto Legacy Award on May 20, 2011; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Monsignor Charles J. Fahey.