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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc.

WHEREAS, Organizations which serve the economic well-being and interests of the people of this great Empire State merit the commendation of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are enhanced by the concerned and dedicated efforts of business organizations and individuals that generously contribute 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 commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc.; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at the Italian American Community Center, 275 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc., of Albany, New York, is a provider of bail bonds in the capital district region; its mission is to provide bail for the accused and their families with prompt, professional, courteous service during their time of crisis; and

WHEREAS, The Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc. has adopted the Code of Ethics of the Professional Bail Agents of the United States which guarantee high integrity and dignified professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Bail is the means by which the criminal justice system in the United States permits the release of a defendant from custody while ensuring his appearance at all required court proceedings; it is the legacy of Anglo-Saxon jurisprudence wherein defendants were delivered to their sureties, who gave security for their appearance; and

WHEREAS, The commercial bond approach is by far the most effective form of bail, as demonstrated in the Bureau of Statistics study that compared commercial bonding with all other pre-trial release methods in getting defendants to court; and

WHEREAS, Bail agents perform an extraordinarily valuable public

service to law enforcement and accused people alike; it is a private system, free of taxpayer support, and is the most effective bail system; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc. presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc.; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Bernardo-Goldstein and Quinn Agency, Inc.