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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Bob Friedrich upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Queens Civic Congress Foundation, Inc. on April 29, 2012

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, Bob Friedrich 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 Bob Friedrich upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Queens Civic Congress Foundation, Inc., to be celebrated at its Biennial Civic Luncheon on Sunday, April 29, 2012, at Antun's Caterers in Queens Village, New York; and

WHEREAS, Bob Friedrich 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, Bob Friedrich is President of Glen Oaks Village, New York's largest garden apartment co-op and home to 10,000 residents; as an accountant, he also serves as their CFO; both are voluntary positions; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Bob Friedrich is a longtime community leader and civic activist fighting for transparency and accountability in government; and

WHEREAS, Bob Friedrich founded Eastern Queens United (EQU), a coalition of more than a dozen civic associations in eastern Queens that waged an unwavering battle for Real Redistricting Reform; and

WHEREAS, Bob Friedrich also founded the Presidents Co-op & Condo Coun-

cil (PCCC), a think tank of co-op and condominium board presidents that currently represents more than 100,000 Queens residents; and  
WHEREAS, The PCCC has successfully worked for years on behalf of New York City's last bastion of affordable housing, its co-ops that are home to working-class families and seniors; and

WHEREAS, Bob Friedrich is also a prolific writer, penning a monthly column entitled "OnPoint!" in the TIMES-LEDGER papers; his submissions and articles have appeared in the NEW YORK DAILY NEWS, NEW YORK POST, the NEW YORK LAW JOURNAL, and numerous co-op magazines; and  
WHEREAS, Bob Friedrich has led rallies to save the Q79 bus line, and continues to fight for replacement of deteriorated curbs throughout the community, unsustainable water rate increases and sufficient city funding for the street-tree-damaged sidewalk replacement program; and  
WHEREAS, As a civic leader, Bob Friedrich relies on a pragmatic approach to solving problems while always putting the community's interest first; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Bob Friedrich has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Bob Friedrich 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 Bob Friedrich upon the occasion of his designation for special

recognition by the Queens Civic Congress Foundation, Inc. on April 29, 2012; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to Bob Friedrich.