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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Police Officer Frank G. Misa and Police Officer Mitchell J. Richter in recognition of their heroic actions in saving the life of a drowning woman

WHEREAS, Citizens across our State and Nation are inspired by and indebted to our noble police officers who exhibit courage and bravery every day in the course of their duties; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the caring concern and heroic acts of individuals who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations, nobly risking their own lives in an effort to preserve the life of another; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Police Officer Frank G. Misa and Police Officer Mitchell J. Richter in recognition of their heroic actions in saving the life of a drowning woman; and

WHEREAS, On the morning of Thursday, February 7, 2013, Police Officer Frank G. Misa and Police Officer Mitchell J. Richter of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey were onboard Marine Patrol Vessel 7200 performing routine perimeter checks of LaGuardia Airport and monitoring police radio; and

WHEREAS, A call came over the radio stating a woman attempted to take her life and jumped off the Whitestone Bridge; being within close proximity, Police Officer Frank G. Misa and Police Officer Mitchell J. Richter were on the scene within three minutes and immediately observed the victim in the water; and

WHEREAS, Due to the quick and astute actions of Police Officer Frank G. Misa and Police Officer Mitchell J. Richter, the victim was pulled from the frigid water and received first aid; she was kept warm with a blanket and brought to safety; and

WHEREAS, Police Officers Frank G. Misa and Mitchell J. Richter displayed exemplary professionalism in the performance of their duties by responding immediately to a person in need and ultimately saving her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Police Officer Frank G. Misa and Police Officer Mitchell J. Richter in recognition of their heroic actions in saving the life of a drowning woman; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Police Officer Frank G. Misa and Police Officer Mitchell J. Richter.