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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Luigi Squillante upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Cellini Lodge No. 2206

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Luigi Squillante upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Cellini Lodge No. 2206, to be celebrated on Friday, April 5, 2013, at the Chateau Briand in Westbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, This fine event is to acknowledge the 45th Anniversary of Cellini Lodge No. 2206; a part of the Order Sons of Italy in America (OSIA), Cellini Lodge No. 2206 is a social and philanthropic organization which was founded in September of 1968; and

WHEREAS, Luigi Squillante is the 24th President of Cellini Lodge; he is a native New Yorker who was born and raised in Astoria, New York, and attended elementary and high schools in Long Island City, later graduating from Baruch College in New York City; and

WHEREAS, After college, Luigi Squillante began his career at Citibank in New York City working in the chemical and pharmaceutical department; he later advanced to become a credit specialist managing files for Monsanto, Eastman Kodak, Dow, Dupont Chemical, and Bayer, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Luigi Squillante moved on to Canon USA Inc. in Lake Success, beginning in the customer service field, working his way up to Technical Support Specialist, before moving on to MCI Wireless in Garden City; in 1997, he moved on to Delta Funding Corporation in Woodbury and advanced to Director of Business Technology, managing the internal and external development team for ten years; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, Luigi Squillante found his current position as Head of Application Development at Nature Publishing Group, which publishes approximately 120 scientific, technical and medical journals; and

WHEREAS, Luigi Squillante's community work includes being a Third

Degree Mason of Trinity Lodge No. 12 of the 9th Manhattan District of New York, Cellini Lodge No. 2206 and Order Sons of Italy in America; and WHEREAS, Luigi Squillante has held many offices within Cellini Lodge, including Financial Secretary, Orator, First Vice-President, and President; he has been a Director, First Vice-President and President of the Cellini Charitable Foundation and has also chaired many Cellini Lodge Committees such as Membership and Fundraising; and

WHEREAS, On the OSIA state level Luigi Squillante has just been elected to another term as Commissioner of the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum, a position he has held since 2010; he has served as a member of the New York State Autism Committee and as Chairperson for the New York State Website Competition Committee; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his parents, Emma and Salvatore, his siblings, Alfonso, Maria and JoAnn, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Luigi Squillante's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Luigi Squillante upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Cellini Lodge No. 2206; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Luigi Squillante.