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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending outgoing President Ho Su Kwak for his distinguished service to the Korean Seafood Association of New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the leaders of commerce and industry who contribute to the economic health and prosperity and the quality of life, of the communities of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend outgoing President Ho Su Kwak for his distinguished service and commitment to the Korean Seafood Association of New York (KSANY); and

WHEREAS, Since its inception in January of 1977, KSANY has protected the rights of Korean seafood retailers in the seafood business and provided educational and financial support to local seafood businesses; and

WHEREAS, Ho Su Kwak has been a valued and involved member of KSANY for many years, and has served the organization in numerous capacities, including, most recently, as 20th President of KSANY; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Ho Su Kwak, KSANY held its annual Scholarship Foundation Benefit Golf Tournament in 2012, and as a result, 15 students in need were awarded scholarships to further their education; and

WHEREAS, Along with other community organizations, on May 4, 2012, KSANY provided a local senior center with financial assistance to help them to keep its doors open; and

WHEREAS, On October 18, 2012, KSANY strengthened its cooperative relationship with the Korea Overseas Fisheries Association (KOFA) through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the purposes of exchanging information and conducting collaborative studies in the field of

fisheries; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, many Korean seafood retailers at Fulton Fish Market have been the victims of unfair treatment and deceptive practices by some wholesalers, who mislabel names, prices and weights of fish offered for sale; and

WHEREAS, As President, Ho Su Kwak was instrumental in ensuring that the voices of the Korean seafood retailers were heard; and

WHEREAS, Ho Su Kwak has served KSANY and its members for the past two years with dedication to protect the rights of Korean Americans in the seafood business and foster positive relationships with other communities, including cultural groups, educational institutions, and governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice 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 commend outgoing President Ho Su Kwak for his distinguished service to the Korean Seafood Association of New York, and to wish him continued success in his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ho Su Kwak.