

## 2015-J1036

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Vincent Sasso upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Amherst Davis Memorial Farmer Citizen of the Year Award by the Long Island Farm Bureau

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 reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves 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 honor Vincent Sasso upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Amherst Davis Memorial Farmer Citizen of the Year Award by the Long Island Farm Bureau, to be celebrated at its 97th Annual Awards Gala on Friday, April 17, 2015, at the Riverhead Polish Hall, Riverhead, New York; and

WHEREAS, A second generation owner and member of the DeLea Sod Farm family, Vincent Sasso has always had a passion for farming; and

WHEREAS, The DeLea family began farming in 1928, and has grown to include locations across Long Island, southern New Jersey, and Rhode Island; today, its impressive list of clients includes Citi Field, Yankee Stadium, Long Island Ducks, and notable golf venues across the northeast; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Vincent Sasso, DeLea Sod Farms provides the highest quality grass, soil, and fertilizer while maintaining its guaranteed long-term integrity and customer satisfaction; and

WHEREAS, Vincent Sasso 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, In addition to his unwavering commitment to the DeLea Sod Farm, Vincent Sasso is co-owner of Cherry Creek and The Woods Golf Courses, where he generously hosts events and fundraisers in his beautiful Stonewalls Restaurant; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast dedication to giving back to his community, Vincent Sasso is an active member of Long Island Farm Bureau (LIFB) and served on its Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he regularly offers his produce to Island Harvest Food Bank, civic association fundraisers, or fire department events; and

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

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 honor Vincent Sasso upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Amherst Davis Memorial Farmer Citizen of the Year Award by the Long Island Farm Bureau; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Vincent Sasso.