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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Robert P. McBride upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the EAC Network on April 30, 2015

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, Robert P. McBride 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 commend Robert P. McBride upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the EAC Network, to be feted at its 45th Anniversary Celebration on Thursday, April 30, 2015, at Carlyle on the Green, Farmingdale, New York; and

WHEREAS, Robert P. McBride studied Business Administration at the State University of New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1982, Robert P. McBride began his career when he took possession of a small New York-based ground transportation company and rapidly expanded the business, making it the largest and most successful operation of its kind in the region; and

WHEREAS, After selling the franchise in 2000, Robert P. McBride served as the Northeast Regional Manager for Coach USA, the largest ground transportation company in the world; and

WHEREAS, A dynamic business strategist, Robert P. McBride maintains a diverse client portfolio which spans a variety of industries, ranging from real estate to construction to transportation and more; he is sought out by leading businesses, both nationwide and globally oversees, as well as prominent professionals, and has an exceptional track record

for building relationships; and

WHEREAS, Robert P. McBride has over 30 years of experience counseling business leaders regarding business development and public policy; when it comes to the workings in the governmental and political arena, his work has resulted in the shaping of public policy in a number of areas including business advocacy, municipal matters, and land use; and

WHEREAS, Robert P. McBride has provided counsel regarding a number of complex issues on Long Island and in New York, ranging from mitigating community opposition to transportation projects to navigating union matters; he also works with a Washington, D.C.-based lobbying firm representing a host of international firms; and

WHEREAS, Today, Robert P. McBride holds the esteemed position of Senior Vice President of Park Strategies, LLC; in addition to his role at Park Strategies, he continues to own and manage several enterprises, including Metro Taxi, a company known for its environmentally friendly fleet of hybrid vehicles, and Federal Shield Security, a security and surveillance firm on Long Island which offers a full range of investigative and security services; and

WHEREAS, Robert P. McBride has been profiled in several regional and national business publications; in 2010, he was recognized by Long Island Business News as an influential leader in its 50 Around 50 awards program; and in 2011, he was selected to the title of President of the Taxi Limousine & Paratransit Association; and

WHEREAS, Robert P. McBride 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, Active in his community of Long Island, Robert P. McBride has served for over 20 years as a member of the Board of Directors of the

Education and Assistance Corporation (EAC Network), for which he has held the position of Board Chairman; he has also participated on the boards of The Leukemia Society and United Way of Long Island; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable man has been actively involved with the Mineola Lions Club for 25 years, acting as President from 1991-1993, and has also given of his time to the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick for more than two decades; and

WHEREAS, Robert P. McBride has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades including the Declaration of Independence Award by Israel Bonds, the Citizen of the Year Award by the New York Grand Lodge Foundation Sons of Italy, and recognition by the Long Island Association for AIDS Care (LIAAC); and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Robert P. McBride has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Marion, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Robert P. McBride has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Robert P. McBride upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the EAC Network; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Robert P. McBride.