

## 2015-J1666

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Jon F. Dohlin upon the occasion of his designation as Grand Marshal of the Norwegian Day Parade on May 17, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to individuals of true purpose and worthy accomplishment who work diligently to preserve and celebrate their rich cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Jon F. Dohlin upon the occasion of his designation as Grand Marshal of the Norwegian Day Parade on Sunday, May 17, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Jon F. Dohlin has been with Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) since 1997; he was appointed Director of the WCS' New York Aquarium in Coney Island, Brooklyn in January of 2008, and became WCS Vice President just two years later; and

WHEREAS, Both a biologist and an architect by training, Jon F. Dohlin has worked at the Wildlife Conservation Society as an Exhibit Designer and Project Manager in the Exhibition and Graphic Arts Department (EGAD) as well as in Capital Construction; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man was involved in the design and planning of numerous award-winning exhibits at the Bronx Zoo and New York Aquarium, including the Congo Gorilla Forest, Tiger Mountain, Glovers Reef, and the Madagascar! Exhibit; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as Aquarium Director, Jon F. Dohlin oversees the care and exhibition of many tropical fish and marine animals; and

WHEREAS, Jon F. Dohlin received his degree in Biology from Humboldt State University, and holds a Master's degree in Architecture from Parsons School of Design; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Jon F. Dohlin serves as Chair of the Alliance for Coney Island, a nonprofit organization dedicated to contin-

uing the transformation of Coney Island into a year-round, world-class recreational oceanfront destination while improving the quality of life of the entire Coney Island community; and

WHEREAS, Of Norwegian descent, Jon F. Dohlin has been a member of Advent Lutheran Church since 2007, where he currently serves on the church council; and

WHEREAS, A fitting choice for Grand Marshal of the Norwegian Day Parade, Jon F. Dohlin embodies the spirit and the cherished ideals and values of Norwegian-Americans of this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Jon F. Dohlin upon the occasion of his designation as Grand Marshal of the Norwegian Day Parade on May 17, 2015; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jon F. Dohlin.