

## 2015-J2536

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Reverend John J. Lynch upon the occasion of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood of the Archdiocese of New York on May 31, 2015

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Reverend John J. Lynch upon the occasion of celebrating the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination to the Priesthood of the Archdiocese of New York, to be rejoiced at a Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2015, at Immaculate Conception Church, Woodburne, New York; and

WHEREAS, A native of Newburgh, New York, John J. Lynch was born to the late John Lynch and the former Ann Brady; he attended Newburgh schools, and graduated from St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, New York, where he studied classical languages; and

WHEREAS, On May 29, 1965, John J. Lynch was proudly ordained into the priesthood of the Archdiocese of New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1974, Reverend John J. Lynch furthered his education by obtaining his Ph.D. from Fordham University, New York City; he went on to teach various elective courses in both St. Joseph's Seminary and the Catechetical Institute of the Archdiocese; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, Reverend John J. Lynch was assigned to

several parishes, including St. Gabriel's, New Rochelle; St. Mary Star of the Sea, City Island; St. Mary of the Assumption, Katonah; St. Sylvia's, Tivoli; and St. Joachim's, Beacon; and

WHEREAS, From 1974-1982, Reverend John J. Lynch represented the Northeast Bronx on the Senate of Clergy, serving as both a member and Chairman of its Education Committee; and

WHEREAS, In 1996, Reverend John J. Lynch was appointed to the position of Spiritual Leader of Immaculate Conception Church, a title he still holds today; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Reverend John J. Lynch upon the occasion of celebrating the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination to the Priesthood of the Archdiocese of New York, on May 31, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Reverend John J. Lynch.