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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Father Joseph Moskal upon the occasion of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood

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 sense 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 honor Father Joseph Moskal upon the occasion of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on Sunday, April 26, 2015, at his home parish, Holy Trinity in Utica, New York; and

WHEREAS, Father Joseph Moskal 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, Upon graduating from Utica Free Academy in 1953, Father Joseph Moskal attended St. Mary College in Orchard Park, Michigan prior to completing his seminary studies at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Seminary; and

WHEREAS, Father Joseph Moskal was ordained on May 1, 1965, and served at parishes in Forestport, Syracuse, Rome, Cicero, Binghamton, Utica, Hinckley, Whitesboro, Camden, Williamstown and Clayville; he retired July 1, 2009; and

WHEREAS, Tirelessly dedicated to his community, Father Joseph Moskal continues to volunteer at Holy Trinity and St. Joseph's Nursing Home in

Utica; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Father Joseph Moskal has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, The spiritual guidance and nurturing of the citizens of the State of New York are of great importance to the vitality and well-being of our communities; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to men and women of religious commitment who accept the responsibility of moral leadership and render the wisdom of human understanding; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Father Joseph Moskal upon the occasion of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Father Joseph Moskal.