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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Sister Rose Torma, CSJ, Principal of Saint Stanislaus Kostka School, upon the auspicious occasion of her retirement

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those among us who selflessly contribute to the fabric of their communities, often dedicating decades of their life to noble efforts designed to improve the lives of others and create an enduring legacy of positive social progress; and

WHEREAS, Sister Rose Torma, who has served as Principal of Saint Stanislaus Kostka School in Maspeth, Queens, for 33 years, will be retiring from this vital and distinguished position on August 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Sister Rose Torma was born in East New York, Brooklyn, raised in Queens Village, Queens, and began working at Saint Stanislaus Kostka School in 1982, where she continued to serve even after moving to Nassau County and assuming a much longer commute to her beloved school in Maspeth and the children in her care; and

WHEREAS, The extensive educational background of Sister Rose Torma includes her attendance at St. Malachy's School in Brooklyn; Saints Joachim and Anne School in Queens Village; Sacred Heart Academy in Brentwood, New York; St. John's University; the State University of New York at New Paltz; and Manhattan College; and

WHEREAS, Sister Rose Torma entered the Community of the Sisters of Saint Joseph in Brentwood, New York, and graduated from Brentwood College, a Sister Formation College, and also received a Master's degree from the State University of New York at New Paltz, and professional New York State certification in School Administration and Supervision from Manhattan College; and

WHEREAS, Sister Rose Torma began her teaching career at Most Precious

Blood School in Long Island City; she also taught at Saint Bernard School in Levittown and Saint Benedict Joseph Labre School in Richmond Hill; and

WHEREAS, Following her professional certification in School Administration and Supervision, Sister Rose Torma became an Administrator in our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, before coming to Saint Stanislaus Kostka School 33 years ago; and

WHEREAS, In her more than three decades as Principal of Saint Stanislaus Kostka School, Sister Rose Torma has touched the lives of many students, parents, teachers and other members of the Saint Stanislaus Kostka School and parish family in any number of positive ways; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure at Saint Stanislaus Kostka School, Sister Rose Torma has been in the forefront of helping her pupils to advance academically and spiritually, and has worked tirelessly during difficult times to ensure the school's financial stability; and

WHEREAS, Sister Rose Torma is to be congratulated and commended for her 33 years of commitment and dedication to the Saint Stanislaus Kostka School and parish, as well as her pledge to continue volunteering in the religious community in the years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Sister Rose Torma upon the occasion of her retirement from her cherished "St. Stan's School" on August 15, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sister Rose Torma, CSJ.