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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mitchell R. Weiss upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Ambasciatore Award by the Italian American Museum

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mitchell R. Weiss upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Ambasciatore Award by the Italian American Museum to be celebrated on January 24, 2016, at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, A native of Brooklyn, New York, Mitchell R. Weiss has committed his whole life to working for the benefit of his community and fulfilling the needs of the people of the City of New York; and

WHEREAS, During his early days as an Executive with Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Mitchell R. Weiss worked to accomplish the implementation of programs for uninsured residents of the Harlem area of New York City; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man continued to help others during his time as a consultant on government and political affairs for the Little Flower Children Services of New York, a child care agency in Brooklyn and Wading River, New York; and

WHEREAS, A man of faith and a proud Italian-American, Mitchell R. Weiss serves as the Director of Development for the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Brooklyn, and is a vital part of the annual Feast of

the Giglio; and

WHEREAS, Mitchell R. Weiss has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; he serves as a board member for the American Academy of Professional Law Enforcement, the American Management Association, and the United States Selective Service System; and

WHEREAS, Mitchell R. Weiss also proudly serves as a Clergy/Community Liaison for the First Deputy Police Commissioner and Chief of the Department of the NYPD, as well as numerous committees in regards to cultural diversity, race relations, health care and committees for the disabled; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards for his outstanding service, Mitchell R. Weiss has been honored with the Community Affairs Award from the Brooklyn Law School Enforcement Association, the Robert Colangelo Award from the American Academy of Professional Law Enforcement of New York, and the Humanitarian Award from the NYPD Columbia Association; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mitchell R. Weiss was named Man of the Year by the Ferretti League for his work with the Italian Community, and received the 1,181 Caritas Award from the former Bishop of Brooklyn and the Decoration of Cavaliers by the Republic of Italy; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, Mitchell was named an Honoree of the Howard Beach Columbus Day Foundation Parade, the Lt. Det Petrosino in America Association, and the Italian Charities of America, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Mitchell R. Weiss has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Mitchell R. Weiss has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our atten-

tion, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Mitchell R. Weiss upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Ambasciatore Award by the Italian American Museum; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mitchell R. Weiss.