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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating J. Peter Clavin upon the occasion of his induction into the 2016 Fort Hamilton High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame on February 13, 2016

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate J. Peter Clavin upon the occasion of his induction into the 2016 Fort Hamilton High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame, to be celebrated at its Dinner Dance on Saturday, February 13, 2016, at Rex Manor, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Renowned community leader and businessman, J. Peter Clavin graduated from Fort Hamilton High School in 1971; two years later, he obtained his degree from the State University of New York at Farmingdale and then continued his professional education at the Simmons Institute of Funeral Service in Syracuse, New York; and

WHEREAS, Today, J. Peter Clavin is the owner and operator of Joseph P. Clavin Sons, Inc., a funeral home founded in 1886; since the 1940s, this successful business has been located in Bay Ridge, New York; and

WHEREAS, J. Peter Clavin 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, Dedicated to the community in which he both works and lives, J. Peter Clavin has served as a member or former member of numerous organizations including the Bay Ridge Parks and Waterfront Council, Municipal Club of Brooklyn, Emerald Association of Long Island, Knights

of Columbus - Thomas Dongan Council No. 1251, St. Patrick's Society of Brooklyn, Catholic Cemeteries Association, and Bishop's Coat of Arms Club, as well as Catholic Charities; and

WHEREAS, A born leader, J. Peter Clavin has held the position of President in several clubs including the Cathedral Club of Brooklyn, Lions Club of Bay Ridge, Men's Club of Bay Ridge, Bayfort Benevolent Associates, Sons of the American Legion, 12:30 Club of Bay Ridge, Downtown Speakers Association, and the Fourth Avenue Men's Association; and

WHEREAS, J. Peter Clavin is also a charter member of the Fort Hamilton Citizens Action Committee and has been affiliated with the Bay Ridge Festival of the Arts, Narrows Community Theater, and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation; he proudly holds the title of Acting Adjutant of the Michael E. Clavin Post No. 1408 of the American Legion, and serves on the Board of Trustees for New York University Langone Lutheran Augustana Center; and

WHEREAS, For his remarkable dedication to his community, J. Peter Clavin has been the recipient of numerous awards by various organizations including the Catholic Guardian Society, the New York City Police Department's Sergeants Benevolent Association, and Detectives' Endowment Association, as well as the United States Submarine Veterans of World War II; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, in 1993, J. Peter Clavin was proudly knighted by His Eminence John Cardinal O'Connor as a Knight of the Holy Sepulcher at Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, J. Peter Clavin was selected as the Lion's Club's Man of the Year as well as Co-Grand Marshal of the Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade; one year later, he served as the Grand Marshal of the 1999 Ragamuffin Day Parade; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, The Salvation Army's Brooklyn Advisory Board selected J. Peter Clavin as its 1999 Man of the Year, and one year later, the Advocates for Services for the Blind Multihandicapped, Inc.

named him their 2000 Advocate of the Year; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, J. Peter Clavin received the Service to Youth Award by the Catholic Committee on Scouting in the Diocese of Brooklyn, as well as the Bay Ridge Community Council's prestigious Civic Award; in 2011, The Guild for Exceptional Children presented him with its Humanitarian Award; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, J. Peter Clavin 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 J. Peter Clavin 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 attention, 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 congratulate J. Peter Clavin upon the occasion of his induction into the 2016 Fort Hamilton High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame on February 13, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to J. Peter Clavin.