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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Clorita Galvin upon the occasion of her selection as Deputy Marshal of the Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 20, 2016

WHEREAS, St. Patrick's Day is a time for people of all nationalities and generations to assemble and celebrate the rich culture and heritage of the Irish people throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, A St. Patrick's Day parade reflects and records the ongoing history of the United States and Ireland, and provides opportunity for people of all generations to assemble in ethnic pride and pageantry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Clorita Galvin upon the occasion of her selection as Deputy Marshal of the Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 20, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Clorita Elizabeth Clarke was born to parents Edward Francis Clarke of County Louth, and Roseanna Connely from Long Island, New York, in 1949; raised in Brooklyn, she attended Public School 146, Junior High School PS 10 and John Jay High School; and

WHEREAS, Known as a hard worker, Clorita Galvin has held a variety of positions throughout her lifetime; most recently, she served as the office manager of Bay Ridge Whole Sale Tobacco and Candy Company; and

WHEREAS, After being widowed at the young age of 37, Clorita Galvin has continued to remain positive and move forward; she gave of her time and energies to several charities and organizations such as the Helping Hands of the Michael A. Rawley Post No. 1636, where she served as President, and the Auxiliary in Bay Ridge, American Legion Post No. 157, where she held the title of Secretary; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Clorita Galvin has been a vital member of the

Ladies' Ancient Order of Hibernians for many years, and is proud to have been selected as a Deputy Grand Marshall of the St. Patrick's Day Parade; and

WHEREAS, When she is not working or spending time with her loving family, Clorita Galvin enjoys shooting pool, cooking, and playing on her computer; she also enjoys tending her flowers and vegetables in her garden; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by her husband, Michael John, with her throughout have been her five wonderful children, Michael John, Donna, Sean, Roseanne, and Edward; and her nine treasured grandchildren, Michael, Kerry, Elizabeth, Erin, Chloe, Andrew, Liam, Emily, and Reagan, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, intellect and commitment as that demonstrated by over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, A fitting choice for Deputy Marshal of the Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade, Clorita Galvin embodies the spirit and the cherished ideals and values of Irish-Americans of this great State and Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Clorita Galvin upon the occasion of her selection as Deputy Marshal of the Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 20, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Deputy Marshal Clorita Galvin.