

## 2015-K1379

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate upon the occasion of hosting its Ball for the Brave, and paying tribute to this year's honoree on May 20, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those institutions of true purpose and high achievement whose exemplary programs and accomplishment clearly demonstrate an enduring pursuit of excellence in the education of the youth of the Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate upon the occasion of hosting its Ball for the Brave, and paying tribute to this year's honoree on Friday, May 20, 2016, at the Emerson Park Pavilion, Auburn, New York; and

WHEREAS, This year, Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate recognizes Officer Vincent Carnicelli, of the Auburn Police Department, for his dedicated public service to his community; and

WHEREAS, Since 2001, Vincent Carnicelli has served as a Police Officer, devoting his life to the preservation of order and the protection of the citizens of Auburn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious career, Vincent Carnicelli has held numerous positions on the force such as a DARE Officer for several years at both Herman Avenue and Casey Park Elementary Schools; in this capacity, he taught students that good decision making skills will help them lead safe and healthy lives; and

WHEREAS, In addition, for more than eight years, Officer Vincent Carnicelli and his police dog, Rayn, served on the K-9 unit; Officer Carnicelli has also worked with Auburn Housing to keep its neighborhoods crime free, and since September of 2015, he has held the title of School

Resource Officer at Auburn Junior High School; and

WHEREAS, Founded by Father Albert Shamon, Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate is a private, independent Junior/Senior Catholic High School, chartered by the New York State Board of Regents; located within the Rochester diocese and bordering the Syracuse diocese, the school has served the students in the City of Auburn as well as the entire Finger Lakes region since 1993; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous guidance of Principal, Louis Massett, Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate strives to address the whole child, his or her mind and heart; the challenging curriculum prepares students for educational and professional pursuits beyond their high school years; and

WHEREAS, Based on Christian principles, each class begins with a prayer, and students, as well as faculty, attempt to keep this spirit with them as they move through the day; and

WHEREAS, Students, faculty, and parents come together to work, help and support each other in a Christian community by accepting that each person's gifts are valued and each one contributes to the betterment of the whole community; and

WHEREAS, Realizing that there is a time for play as well as work, student growth at Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate is encouraged spiritually, intellectually, socially, and physically; and

WHEREAS, Father Albert Shamon, the founder of Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate, had a great passion for Catholic education; ordained a priest in the Rochester, New York, diocese in 1940, he worked as the Vicar of Education under Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen; he also served as a pastor, teacher, columnist, author, and radiobroadcaster; and

WHEREAS, Through his parish Father Albert Shamon continually raised funds to support Catholic schools; returning to his hometown of Auburn, he set out to fulfill his dream of opening a Catholic high school; with his guidance, Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate was founded with a hand-

ful of parents and three students in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate is named in honor of over 300 English and Irish martyrs who gave their lives at Tyburn Crossroads, just outside Hyde Park, London, in the 16th Century; these martyrs included priests and laity such as St. Edmund Campion, St. Oliver Plunkett, St. Margaret Ward, and Anne Line; the Tyburn logo depicts the scaffold at Hyde Park on which these martyrs were executed for their faith; and

WHEREAS, It is only fitting that this Legislative Body extend its highest commendation to the administration, teachers, staff and parents, both past and present, of the Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate for their dedication and commitment to the children, school and community in the creation of a better world for the children of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate has been an integral part of the history of its community, representing a dynamic, responsive and positive force within the educational system of New York State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate upon the occasion of hosting its Ball for the Brave, and paying tribute to this year's honoree on May 20, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Louis Massett, Principal, Tyburn Academy of Mary Immaculate and Officer Vincent Carnicelli.