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Senate Resolution No. 979

BY: Senator GOLDEN

HONORING Anthony and Dolores Pennachio, Sr. upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd. on March 26, 2017

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Anthony and Dolores Pennachio, Sr. have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Anthony and Dolores Pennachio, Sr. upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd. to be celebrated at its 40th Annual Gala on Sunday, March 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd. (FIAO) is a community based organization assisting individuals and families in the Italian-American community; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Pennachio, Sr. was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York; he graduated from Xavarian High school and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from St. Francis College; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to his community, Anthony Pennachio is a founding member of the St. Bernard's Knights of Columbus No. 14269; he is also active in Kiwanis International, the Lions Club, the AMA, and the Bikers of Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Pennachio sits on the Board of Directors of the Ben Bay Kiwanis Club; he is a fourth degree knight and a lifetime NRA member; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his volunteer associations, Anthony Pennachio has been the successful business owner of Floral Fantasy of Bay Ridge and ASP Graphics, while managing Scarpaci Funeral Home in Dyker Heights for the past 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Dolores Pennachio was also born and raised in Brooklyn, where she attended Sheepshead Bay High school; and

WHEREAS, A homemaker who devoted herself to making a loving home for her family, Dolores Pennachio has been an active member of the Home Academy of St. Bernard's Catholic Academy since 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dolores Pennachio is an active board member of Pletrosfight.org, a non-profit organization which raises funds and awareness on Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy; she also supports such

organizations as the Knights of Columbus, Lions Club, Kiwanis Club and Toys for Tots; and

WHEREAS, A class mom since 2005 at St. Bernard Catholic Academy, Dolores Pennachio organizes children's events within the school to teach the younger generation the importance of giving back; and

WHEREAS, With them throughout have been their three children, Anthony Jr., Vinny and Darrien, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of their lives and rejoice in their achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Anthony and Dolores Pennachio, Sr. have displayed throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 honor Anthony and Dolores Pennachio, Sr. upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn, Ltd. on March 26, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anthony and Dolores Pennachio, Sr.