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Senate Resolution No. 4527

BY: Senator GOLDEN

HONORING Dr. Francis and Nina DeVito upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by Fontbonne Hall Academy on April 21, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Francis and Nina DeVito upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by Fontbonne Hall Academy, to be celebrated at its Diamonds and Pearls 80th Anniversary Gala on Saturday, April 21, 2018, at the El Caribe Country Club, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Nina Milazzo was the fifth child born to Antonino and Concetta Milazzo in Montreal, Canada; her family were parishioners at Our Lady of Pompeii parish, and she graduated from St. Pius X High School before attending McGill University; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of her studies, Nina DeVito worked for

the Royal Bank of Canada where she ultimately became an account manager; she left Canada in 1989, when she married Dr. Francis DeVito and went on to become an Assistant Vice President for Bankers Trust on Wall Street; and

WHEREAS, After taking time off to raise their children, Nina DeVito returned to the work force in 2002, becoming the practice manager for DeVito and Alvarado Pediatric Associates, PLLC; today, she manages their two locations and oversees more than 30 employees; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Park Slope, Brooklyn, Francis DeVito is the second child and only son of Anthony and Josephine DeVito; his family were parishioners at St. Francis of Xavier Roman Catholic Church and he attended Xaverian High School; and

WHEREAS, With a lifelong dream to become a pediatrician, Francis DeVito received his Bachelor of Arts degree from New York University; he went on to attend St. George's University School of Medicine and completed his pediatric training at St. Vincent's Medical Center in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Francis DeVito has been in private practice since 1989, and is currently co-owner of DeVito and Alvarado Pediatric Associates, PLLC, with seven doctors and two offices; and

WHEREAS, A past president of the Medical Society of Bay Ridge, Brooklyn Pediatric Society, Dr. Francis DeVito also serves as the President of New York Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital in Park Slope; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dr. Francis DeVito teaches medical students

through his faculty appointments as Assistant Professor of Pediatrics for St. George's University School of Medicine and Weill Cornell Medicine; and

WHEREAS, With them throughout have been their three daughters, Andrea, Lauren and Michela, who have all shown them love and support and rejoice in their many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Francis and Nina DeVito have displayed throughout their lives; 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 honor Dr. Francis and Nina DeVito upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by Fontbonne Hall Academy on April 21, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Francis and Nina DeVito.