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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Rose Veronica Moroney upon the occasion of her designation as Aide to the Grand Marshal for New York City's 2010 St. Patrick's Day Parade

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those individuals of true purpose and worthy accomplishment who work diligently to preserve and celebrate their rich cultural heritage; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Rose Veronica Moroney upon the occasion of her designation as Aide to the Grand Marshal for New York City's 2010 St. Patrick's Day Parade; and WHEREAS, In acknowledgment of this most prestigious appointment, Rose Veronica Moroney will be recognized at the annual Emerald Ball to be held on Saturday, February 27, 2010, at the Sheraton Crossroads, Mahwah, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Always called "Ronnie" by family and friends, Rose Veronica Moroney was born in New York City, one of three daughters; her mother Rose McCartan was from Backaderry, County Down, and her father Stephen, from Slievenisky, County Armagh; her father was a talented flute player who marched with the County Down Fife and Drum Band for many years; and WHEREAS, Rose Veronica Moroney graduated from St. Jean Baptiste High School; she married Patrick Moroney of County Clare during the blizzard of February 1961, in St. Elizabeth's Church; they moved to Pearl River in 1965, and raised six children; three sons, Patrick, Michael and Thomas and three daughters, Eileen, Katherine and Teresa; today, they are proud grandparents of 14 grandchildren; and WHEREAS, In 1976, Rose Veronica Moroney graduated from Rockland Community College as a Registered Nurse; at the time of her retirement she was a Program Coordinator for the Home Care Services division of the

Department of Social Services in Rockland County; and

WHEREAS, Rose Veronica Moroney has been a member of Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians (LAOH) Division III in Pearl River for many years, and served the Division in the office of Vice President; in addition to her work with LAOH, she is an active volunteer for United Hospice; and WHEREAS, In recognition of her efforts of in-depth magnitude, Rose Veronica Moroney has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades; she was named a New York State Senate Woman of Distinction in 2003 and was also designated Businesswoman of the Year in 1999 by the Rockland County Hibernians; and

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

WHEREAS, A fitting choice for Aide to the Grand Marshal for the New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade, Rose Veronica Moroney embodies the spirit and the cherished ideals and values of Irish-Americans of this great State and Nation; 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Rose Veronica Moroney upon the occasion of her designation as Aide to the Grand Marshal of New York City's 2010 St. Patrick's Day Parade; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rose Veronica Moroney.