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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family upon the occasion of their induction into Fontbonne Hall Academy's Hall of Fame

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, Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family upon the occasion of their induction into Fontbonne Hall Academy's Hall of Fame, to be celebrated on Wednesday, May 5, 2010, in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, John Loconsolo is an admired entrepreneur, businessman and philanthropist whose generosity extends beyond the boundaries of Brooklyn and makes its way into all five boroughs of the City of New York; as a boy, he was a zealous advocate of those in need; and

WHEREAS, From his youth through adulthood, John Loconsolo has continued to put others before himself, donating time, resources and effort to those less fortunate than himself; in 1982, he established the Victoria Loconsolo Foundation in memory of his oldest daughter, Victoria, who had graduated from Fontbonne in 1964; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, the Foundation has supported public and private schools, hospitals and educational programs with the goal of enhancing a student's knowledge and preparing them for a more generous

future; the Loconsolo Family has given many scholarships to deserving students throughout the New York area, including many at Visitation Academy and Fontbonne Hall Academy; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, the Foundation established an endowment at Marymount College, which is now a part of Fordham University; John Loconsolo has always had an interest in education, and the Foundation's main focus is to help students continue to receive a Catholic school education, which they could not otherwise afford; and

WHEREAS, John Loconsolo initiated the "Be an Angel" Program; he, himself, proudly sponsors approximately 40 children annually, and Angel sponsors enable at-risk students to continue their Catholic school education in Brooklyn and Queens by providing tuition and program support to the neediest of students and schools; and

WHEREAS, Together with his daughters Maria '66, Jacqueline, Antoinette, Regina '73, Janet '75, Elizabeth '76, Rosemarie '78 and their mother Jean, John Loconsolo and his family are a family that keeps on giving; yearly, his wife and daughters make time during the holidays to light up Christmas trees and distribute toys to underprivileged and ailing teens, toddlers and infants at three foster care agencies, along with Lincoln Memorial Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family have displayed throughout their lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family upon the occasion of their induction into Fontbonne Hall Academy's Hall of Fame; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. John Loconsolo and Family.