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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Monte N. Redman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Queens Botanical Garden

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Monte N. Redman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Queens Botanical Garden at its 16th Annual Rose Gala to be held on Thursday, June 9, 2011; and

WHEREAS, The Queens Botanical Garden is an urban oasis where people, plants, and cultures are celebrated through inspiring gardens, innovative educational programs and demonstrations of environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, President and Chief Operating Officer of Astoria Financial Corporations and its subsidiary Astoria Federal Savings, Monte N. Redman is being recognized for his leadership, integrity and dedication to strengthen local communities; and

WHEREAS, Monte N. Redman graduated magna cum laude from New York Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and in 1977, he joined the esteemed Astoria Financial Corporations; and

WHEREAS, Steadily rising up the ranks, Monte N. Redman was appointed Assistant Controller in 1979, and went on to become its Vice President and Investment Officer in 1985; and

WHEREAS, In 1989, Monte N. Redman was appointed Senior Vice President, Treasurer, and Chief Financial Officer; in 1997, he became the Executive

Vice President, a position in which he remained for the next 10 years, until ultimately becoming the President and Chief Operating Officer of Astoria Financial Corporations and its subsidiary Astoria Federal Savings; and

WHEREAS, Monte N. Redman is a highly respected member of the American Bankers Association Accounting Committee, the New York Bankers Association Accounting and Tax Committee and is a Director and former Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Tourette Syndrome Association; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary leader, Monte N. Redman's unwavering dedication to environmental advocacy and education has made the success of the Queens Botanical Garden possible; 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Monte N. Redman upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Queens Botanical Garden; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Monte N. Redman.