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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending John Hayes upon the occasion of celebrating 50 years in the Theater

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those individuals who have brought entertainment and cultural enrichment to the citizens of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend John Hayes upon the occasion of celebrating 50 years in the Theater; and

WHEREAS, John Hayes' luminous career began at 18 years old when he was cast in the off-Broadway production of "Arsenic and Old Lace", and subsequently was asked to take over as Director; and

WHEREAS, Currently directing the St. Aidan's Summer Stage production of "Hello Dolly!", John Hayes is responsible for directing many successful off-Broadway shows before moving to community theater; and

WHEREAS, With a passion for guiding young actors, John Hayes has spent 37 years of his 50 year career as the Director of the Herricks Community Theater; during this time he has overseen 61 productions; and

WHEREAS, The arts, in whatever form depicted, are central to human expression; they are truly a universal language and their contribution to the development of friendship and understanding among all peoples cannot be underestimated; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend John Hayes upon the occasion of celebrating 50 years in the Theater; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John Hayes.