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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Bishop Howard J. Hubbard upon the occasion of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood which was celebrated on Sunday, October 20, 2013

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the tradition of this State and this Nation to pay tribute to those individuals who have contributed to the ethical and spiritual values of their communities; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes pleasure in commending Bishop Howard J. Hubbard upon the occasion of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood which was celebrated on Sunday, October 20, 2013, at the Cathedral of The Immaculate Conception in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Howard J. Hubbard was born in Troy, New York, and attended St. Patrick's School and LaSalle Institute prior to entering the Seminary in 1956; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Howard J. Hubbard was ordained in Rome, Italy, on December 18, 1963; prior to being consecrated Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany in 1977, he served as Associate Pastor of both St. Joseph's Church in Schenectady, New York, and Cathedral of The Immaculate Conception in Albany, New York; he also served as Chaplain at The Convent of The Sacred Heart in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his service as a Bishop and a Priest, Bishop Howard J. Hubbard established Providence House, a referral and crisis intervention center, and Hope House, a residential treatment facility for those with addictions; furthermore, he helped found Livcorp, an

organization whose mission is to assist those with developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Howard J. Hubbard is a guiding light for spiritual renewal and a constant source of aid and compassion for his parishioners and community members throughout the 14 counties which comprise the Albany Diocese; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished man of God has always given enlightenment, guidance and wisdom to the many entrusted to his care and has administered abundantly and unstintingly to the spiritual and corporeal needs of all; 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 commemorate Bishop Howard J. Hubbard upon the occasion of celebrating the 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood which was celebrated on Sunday, October 20, 2013, fully confident that this commemoration reflects the belief in those values which enhance the dignity and purpose of life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bishop Howard J. Hubbard.