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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Susan and Joseph Ferdinando upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2014 Partners in Mercy Award by Mercy Home for Children on April 27, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character who have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State with their strong contributions to the community and model citizenry; and WHEREAS, Susan and Joseph Ferdinando 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, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Susan and Joseph Ferdinando upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2014 Partners in Mercy Award by Mercy Home for Children, to be celebrated on Sunday, April 27, 2014, at Russo's on the Bay, Howard Beach, New York; and WHEREAS, Mercy Home for Children, located in Brooklyn, New York, was founded in 1862 by the Sisters of Mercy, and is a non-profit social service agency specializing in residential and supportive programs for persons with developmental disabilities; and WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, Mercy Home for Children

assures the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities through the recognition of each person's inherent dignity and absolute right to a life filled with learning and love; and WHEREAS, Susan and Joseph Ferdinando are being presented with this

illustrious award in recognition of their outstanding commitment, generosity and dedication to the mission of Mercy Home for Children; and WHEREAS, In 1982, Joseph Ferdinando founded Building Security Services, Inc. and grew the company to provide premium security services with cutting edge security systems and information technology through its sister company, HotHeadTech.com; and WHEREAS, Joseph Ferdinando's wife, Susan, and daughter, Amanda, joined the company in 2004 and 2005, making it a truly family owned and operated business; in 2013, the Ferdinando's opened Vanguish Pest Solutions; and WHEREAS, Each of Susan and Joseph Ferdinando's companies prides itself on treating every customer with loyalty and respect; 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 honor Susan and Joseph Ferdinando upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the 2014 Partners in Mercy Award by Mercy Home for Children on April 27, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Susan and Joseph Ferdinando.