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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Brian Horan upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Friends of 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, Brian Horan has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Brian Horan upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Friends of 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, Brian Horan is being presented with this illustrious award in recognition of his outstanding commitment, generosity and dedication to the mission of Mercy Home for Children; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in New York, Brian Horan has spent his entire

30 year career with Brookfield Properties; he began as a laborer with the construction group, and worked his way up the ranks to his current position as manager of the Prestigious Grace Building in midtown Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, An avid volunteer, Brian Horan has been involved with Mercy Home for Children for more than a decade; and

WHEREAS, Active within his community, Brian Horan is a former Little League coach for his town's team, and currently coaches the local soccer club; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he is presently serving a three year term on the School Board, and each year in the month of June, Brian and his family organize a Relay for Life team to raise money for cancer; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of 23 years, Colleen, and their three children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; 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 Brian Horan upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2014 Friends of Mercy Award by Mercy Home for Children on April 27, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brian Horan.