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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Daniel Rice 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, Daniel Rice 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 Daniel Rice 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, Daniel Rice, affectionately known as Danny, 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 to Irish immigrants, Danny Rice is the first member of his family born in the United States; he earned a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the State University of New York, and served in the United States Navy for four years; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, after being honorably discharged, Danny Rice joined the ranks of the New York Police Department, and was assigned to the 52nd Precinct in the Bronx, New York, where he was promoted to Detective; he retired with the prestigious rank of Detective First Grade; and

WHEREAS, Currently employed by Mulligan Security, Danny Rice is also the Account Manager for Brookfield Properties; and

WHEREAS, An avid volunteer, Danny Rice has been involved with Mercy Home for Children for many years, and has co-chaired the Raffle Committee for the Annual Luncheon for the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Patricia, and their two 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 Daniel Rice 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 Daniel Rice.