

## 2013-J4059

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Denise Benardello-Frederick upon the occasion of her designation as Deputy Grand Marshal of the Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 23, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those distinguished citizens of the State of New York who devote their lifework and civic endeavor in service to their community, adding to the character and quality of life for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Denise Benardello-Frederick upon the occasion of her designation as Deputy Grand Marshal of the Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 23, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Bay Ridge, Denise Benardello-Frederick was baptized in Our Lady of Perpetual Health; she earned her first Holy Communion and was Confirmed in Our Lady of Angels, where she graduated in 1978; and

WHEREAS, Continuing her education, Denise Benardello-Frederick graduated from Fort Hamilton High School in 1982; she began working at the Bay Ridge HIP Center, and in 1985, became a volunteer for B.R.A.V.O.; and

WHEREAS, During this time, Denise Benardello-Frederick discovered her passion for helping the sick and she was inspired to attend St. Vincent's School of Nursing, where she graduated in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Denise Benardello-Frederick is a Registered Nurse for Coram Specialty Infusion, serving as a Clinical Territory Manager for Bay Ridge and Staten Island; she is the proud mother of her beautiful daughter, Erin Anne; and

WHEREAS, Active within the community, Denise Benardello-Frederick is a

member of District 22's Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians; she has worked tirelessly serving on both the Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade and Our Lady of Angels Alumni Reunion Committees; and

WHEREAS, In addition, she volunteers for numerous fundraising organizations including the Bay Ridge Memorial Day Parade, The Guild for Exceptional Children, and Hurricane Sandy Relief; and

WHEREAS, Denise Benardello-Frederick is very proud of her Irish Heritage; her family came to America from County Kerry at the turn of the 20th Century; she is a fitting choice for Deputy Grand Marshal of the Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade, for she embodies the spirit and the cherished ideals and values of this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, St. Patrick's Day is a time for people of all nationalities and generations to assemble and celebrate the rich culture and heritage of the Irish people throughout these United States; and

WHEREAS, A St. Patrick's Day Parade reflects and records the ongoing history of the United States and Ireland, and highlights the many contributions and historical accomplishments of the Irish community in this diverse land; 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 Denise Benardello-Frederick upon the occasion of her designation as Deputy Grand Marshal of the Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 23, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Denise Benardello-Frederick.