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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending John DeLosa upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Victor V. Allegretti Memorial Man of the Year Award by the American Legion Kings County Youth Recreational Facility, Inc.

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, John DeLosa 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend John DeLosa upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Victor V.

Allegretti Memorial Man of the Year Award by the American Legion Kings

County Youth Recreational Facility, Inc.; his contributions to the community will be celebrated at the organization's 20th Annual Baseball Fundraiser on Sunday, April 6, 2014, at Gargiulo's Restaurant, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion Kings County Youth Recreational Facility, Inc. provides and maintains baseball fields for use by neighborhood youth organizations and schools in Brooklyn, New York, allowing thousands of children to play baseball in a clean and safe environment at no cost to them or their families; and

WHEREAS, John DeLosa was born and raised in the Cobble Hill section of Brooklyn; he attended Saint Paul's Elementary School and Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School in Brooklyn, and Manhattan College in Riverdale, New York, and holds a Federal Communications Electronics License, along with certificates in fire suppression and occupational safety; and WHEREAS, A successful construction executive, since 1996 John DeLosa

has served as Chief of Field Operations and co-owner of Long & DeLosa Construction Group, Ltd; and

WHEREAS, John DeLosa has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, A compassionate man, he has helped to raise funds for American Legion Baseball, Heart Share Human Services, St. Jude's Children's Foundation, Ronald McDonald House, F.I.A.O., and Maimonides Medical Center; in addition, he serves as the Vice President of the Bensonhurst Bay Ridge Kiwanis Club, and has also held leadership roles with the Bay Ridge Development Corporation, and the Brooklyn Council of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, John DeLosa played a key role in founding the Annual Celebration of Lights, a month long series of tree-lightings held at 31 churches around Brooklyn, and co-sponsored by Maimonides Center; now in its 19th year of raising funds for education in Brooklyn, he still shepherds this extraordinary event as a member of its Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, John DeLosa, known for his passion for hockey, also serves his community via that passion; he began coaching youth ice hockey in 1995, and is currently a USA Hockey Level 4 Certified Coach; this energetic volunteer served as Vice President of the Greater New York Ice Hockey League, and as Tournament Director of the Long Island Ice Hockey Association; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, John DeLosa has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of 29 years, Evelyn, and their children: Michael, along with his wife, Nicole, and daughter Velouria; and Joseph, along with his fiancee Danielle, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which John DeLosa has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend John DeLosa upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Victor V. Allegretti Memorial Man of the Year Award by the American Legion Kings County Youth Recreational Facility, Inc.; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John DeLosa.