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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar upon the occasion of his designation as 2014 Father of the Year by the Father's Day Council of Long Island and the American Diabetes Association

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar upon the occasion of his designation as 2014 Father of the Year by the Father's Day Council of Long Island and the American Diabetes Association; he will be celebrated at the Awards Dinner on Wednesday, June 4, 2014, at Oheka Castle, Huntington, New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar has been in private practice for the past 30 years in the field of Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolism; he is Chief of Endocrinology at Glen Cove Hospital, and Medical Director of the Glen Cove Center for Rehabilitation, as well as a consulting physician at St. Francis Hospital and North Shore Hospital-Manhasset; and

WHEREAS, This committed man has been actively involved with the American Diabetes Association for many years, serving in various capacities; he is a Past President of the Long Island Chapter, and served on the Board of Directors of the New York State affiliate; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar was a pioneer in developing hospital-based diabetes education programs in Long Island over 25 years ago; his long-term involvement in diabetic education has empowered people

with diabetes to better manage their lives; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar 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, He has served as a member of the Board of Trustees in the Herricks Public School District, and is currently a member in the Board at the Shelter Rock Public Library; in addition, he was involved in the Ethnic Coalition in the Town of North Hempstead; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Kala Ravishankar, their son, Shreyas Ravishankar, and two grandsons, Raam and Augustya, 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 Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend those individuals for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar upon the occasion of his designation as 2014 Father of the Year by the Father's Day Council of Long Island and the American Diabetes Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Tharakaram Ravishankar.