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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mary Kay and Bill Seery upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Neighborhood Service Award by the Flatbush Development Corporation

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, Mary Kay and Bill Seery have given not only of their time and energies but also of their competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently have been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mary Kay and Bill Seery upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Neighborhood Service Award by the Flatbush Development Corporation which was celebrated at its 39th Annual Awards Benefit on Thursday, May 8, 2014, at Gargiulo's Restaurant in Coney Island, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Flatbush Development Corporation's mission is to enhance the quality of life for all segments of the Flatbush community; it identifies and responds to neighborhood needs and concerns, proactively creating programs and campaigns that work towards a healthy, safe and vibrant community; its economic development, housing, youth, and immigration programs serve the exceptionally diverse needs of its community; and

WHEREAS, Mary Kay and Bill Seery of Prospect Park South moved into their home in the early summer of 1998, when they fell in love with Victorian Flatbush and its stately homes; one of their favorite things about the neighborhood is the small town feel in the center of New York City; additionally, it is a neighborhood where people look out for each

other and socialize with each other; and

WHEREAS, Mary Kay Seery works as a Legislative Aide, and has spent 20 years in the magazine publishing world, both as a copywriter for Hearst and Conde Nast, and as a freelance copywriter; and

WHEREAS, For five years, Mary Kay Seery was the Parent Coordinator at PS 217 before going to work as a Legislative Aide two years ago; she holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Bill Seery is a commercial lending officer at Valley National Bank focused on new business origination in the tri-state area; his past occupations include commercial lending, investment banking, CFO of a family owned private manufacturing company, and CFO of a publicly traded sports marketing and events company; and

WHEREAS, Bill Seery earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of Virginia, and a Master of Business Administration degree from the Darden School of Business Administration at University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Mary Kay and Bill Seery have been very active over the more than 15 years they have lived in the neighborhood; Mary Kay served as a past Parents Association President at PS 217, and they both have hosted various fundraising functions and neighborhood parties at their home, as well as hosting the annual Halloween Parade in Prospect Park South for many years; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Bill Seery has been on the Board of PPSA, having served in the past as Treasurer and President, and was on the Board of FDC for several years; and

WHEREAS, Both Mary Kay and Bill Seery are well known in Victorian Flatbush as approachable and helpful; they choose to be involved in the

health and vitality of their local schools and community, and keeping their neighborhood safe, attractive, fun, and Landmark compliant, as well as working toward enhancing the quality of life for all Flatbush

residents through strong public schools, communities and neighborhoods;
and

WHEREAS, Mary Kay and Bill Seery have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Mary Kay and Bill Seery have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Together, Mary Kay and Bill Seery have raised 3 children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of their lives and rejoice in their achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Mary Kay and Bill Seery have displayed throughout their life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Mary Kay and Bill Seery upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Neighborhood Service Award by the Flatbush Development Corporation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary Kay and Bill Seery.