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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dick Boschen upon the occasion of his designation as recipient 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, Dick Boschen has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has 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 Dick Boschen upon the occasion of his designation as recipient 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, Born in 1954 in Morristown, New Jersey, Dick Boschen graduated from Tenafly High School in 1972; he continued his education at Hampshire College, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree from MIT in 1976, and a Master of Architecture degree from UC Berkeley in 1982; and

WHEREAS, For the last 28 years, Dick Boschen has been an architect practicing in New York City; currently, he is his firm's managing principal; and

WHEREAS, After completing college, Dick Boschen moved to Manhattan, Park Slope, and then happily to Ditmas Park; he and his wife moved into their home in Victorian Flatbush sixteen years ago with their two children; the couple was initially attracted to the area by the great housing and stable neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Dick Boschen has been engaged in a broad range of architect-

tural projects for private, commercial and institutional clients; over the years, his firm and its principals have demonstrated competence in a broad range of design-related fields, winning awards for energy conservation research and exhibition booth design, as well as being published for more traditional architectural design work; and

WHEREAS, Although his work has been based in New York City, Dick Boschen has completed occasional projects in Canada and throughout the United States; his past experience includes a variety of clients including: New York State's Facilities Development Corporation, the Atlantic Mutual Insurance Company, the United States Army Corps of Engineers, as well as a number of private and smaller-scale commercial clients; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dick Boschen's design-related experience includes the United States Department of Energy funded research into energy use in high-rise office buildings, and large- and small-scale residential structures; this experience has produced numerous articles in juried scientific publications, participation in AFFORDABLE HOUSING THROUGH ENERGY CONSERVATION and the PASSIVE SOLAR CONSTRUCTION HANDBOOK, and participation on the team that designed the Energy Conservation Standard for new Military Residential Construction; and

WHEREAS, Since 1999, Dick Boschen has been an active member of the Ditmas Park Neighborhood Association, including serving as a past President, and has often helped around the neighborhood; furthermore, he is a New York City Citizen Tree Pruner; and

WHEREAS, Dick Boschen would like to commend his fellow neighbors and community members who also devote their time and energies to their community; and

WHEREAS, Dick Boschen 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, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Dick Boschen has stood constant in

dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of 27 years, Barbara, and their two children, Rachel and Matthew, 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 Dick Boschen has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dick Boschen upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Neighborhood Service Award by the Flatbush Development Corporation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dick Boschen.