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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Father Michael A. Farano upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Sister Maureen Joyce Charities Award by Catholic Charities on June 19, 2014

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State are nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Father Michael A. Farano upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Sister Maureen Joyce Charities Award by Catholic Charities, to be celebrated at its Night at the Museum event on Thursday, June 19, 2014, at the New York State Museum, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Father Michael A. Farano is being recognized for his exemplary work and commitment to his community, which serves to empower others; and

WHEREAS, Ordained to the priesthood in 1968, Father Michael A. Farano has served the Diocese of Albany in several capacities since that time including his work in the Bishop's office, as Pastor of St. Pius X Parish in Loudonville, Chancellor and Vicar General; and

WHEREAS, Singular in distinction is Father Michael A. Farano, whose service to his church and his people, and his involvement in his community mirror a commitment of compelling dimension; and

WHEREAS, Father Michael A. Farano has been a steadfast and dedicated supporter of Catholic Charities for more than four decades; he was

instrumental in Catholic Charities of Albany being one of the first places to provide a home to children orphaned due to HIV/AIDS in the 1980s; and

WHEREAS, Subsequently, today, the Farano Center in Albany cares for children who have been removed from their homes due to absence or neglect; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Father Michael A.

Farano has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor, and has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Father Michael A. Farano has displayed throughout his life; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Father Michael A. Farano upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Sister Maureen Joyce Charities Award by Catholic Charities on June 19, 2014, noting his unrelenting and compassionate faith and his exemplary service to God, man, and his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Father Michael A. Farano.