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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Father Daniel Heintz upon the occasion of celebrating the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on June 5, 2014

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Father Daniel Heintz upon the occasion of celebrating the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on Thursday, June 5, 2014; and WHEREAS, Father Daniel Heintz was raised in Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Utica, New York, and graduated from St. Francis de Sales High School prior to attending St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries; and WHEREAS, Father Daniel Heintz was ordained to the priesthood on June 5, 1954, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse, New York; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed pastor's 60 years of ministry includes service in 19 parishes; he also served as a chaplain in the United States Army Reserves for 23 years, retiring with the rank of Colonel; and WHEREAS, Committed to giving back to his community, Father Daniel Heintz was chaplain to the Utica Police Department and the Knights of Columbus Oneida Council No. 473; in addition, he was a member of the Diocesan Priests CCD Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, Father Daniel Heintz retired in 1999, and remains active serving in the summer months at the St. Rose of Lima Parish in North Syracuse, and the winter months serving at St. Peter and Paul the Apostles Church in Bradenton, Florida; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished man of God has always given enlightenment, guidance and wisdom to the many entrusted to his care and has administered abundantly and unstintingly to the spiritual and corporeal needs of all; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Father Daniel Heintz upon the occasion of celebrating the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood, fully confident that this commemoration reflects the belief in those values which enhance the dignity and purpose of life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Father Daniel Heintz.