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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Cure Fighter Award by Pietrosfight.org

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Cure Fighter Award by Pietrosfight.org to be celebrated at its Fight Night! Round III Pietro vs. DMD on Thursday, March 12, 2015, at the El Caribe Country Club, Brooklyn, New York; and WHEREAS, Pietrosfight.org is a nonprofit organization dedicated to raising awareness and funds to help find a cure for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD), one of the most common and lethal childhood genetic disorders in the world; and

WHEREAS, This vital organization was founded by Manni and Dayna Scarso in 2012, after they learned their 3-year-old son, Pietro, was diagnosed with DMD; Pietrosfight.org continues to promote funding for research which will cure this deadly disease; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello brings hundreds of people together each week at St. Bernard's Parish, and is an extraordinary organizer of festivals, holiday extravaganzas, youth events, and spiritual ceremonies for people of all ages; in addition, he is known for his many fundraising activities for church members over the years; and WHEREAS, A graduate of Baruch College and the Culinary Institute of

America, prior to entering seminary this remarkable man has shared his love of food with the entire community; and

WHEREAS, Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello has been an active contributor to Pietrosfight.org, and has been a constant presence at community events, leading the attendees in prayer; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those men and women of religious commitment who accept the responsibility of moral leadership and render the wisdom of human understanding; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello upon the occasion of their designation as recipients of the Cure Fighter Award by Pietrosfight.org; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Monsignor Jamie Gigantiello.