

## 2015-J1171

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Louis G. Pastina upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Charter Award by St. Francis College at its Annual Dinner

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Louis G. Pastina upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Charter Award by St. Francis College at its Annual Dinner, to be held on Wednesday, April 29, 2015, at the Marriott Marquis, New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, Louis G. Pastina earned a degree in accounting from St. Francis College, Brooklyn Heights, New York; while a student, he held the title of Master of Ceremonies for the Pi Alpha fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Today, Louis G. Pastina continues to actively support his alma mater, serving as a member of the advisory board of the St. Francis College Center for Entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, After 31 years of dedicated service, Louis G. Pastina recently retired from the esteemed position of Executive Vice President of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE); during his tenure, he led the organization through the most transformational changes in its history, and pioneered several industry initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Under his remarkable leadership, Louis G. Pastina guided the NYSE product line, including the iconic NYSE trading floor and its electronic trading business through traumatic and volatile trading markets as a result of the United States Financial Meltdown of 2008-2009, the 2010 Flash Crash, the Knight Capital trading issue, Hurricane Sandy, and the highly successful Twitter IPO; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his extensive board and committee service related to NYSE, Louis G. Pastina is a founding member of three not-for-profit charitable organizations, including The Graybeards, Ltd., The Change of Tours Foundation, Inc., and The Grayriders; 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 honor Louis G. Pastina upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Charter Award by St. Francis College at its Annual Dinner; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Louis G. Pastina.