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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION welcoming and paying tribute to Consul General of Italy, Natalia Quintavalle, upon the occasion of her visit to Albany, New York, on May 20, 2015

WHEREAS, The State of New York is greatly enriched by its cultural diversity and proudly shares a multitude of values as well as familial ties with the people and country of Italy; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body, representing the people of the State of New York, is pleased to welcome Consul General of Italy, Natalia Quintavalle, upon the occasion of her visit to Albany, New York, for a guest appearance and briefing before the New York Conference of Italian-American State Legislators and other law makers on Wednesday, May 20, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Natalia Quintavalle is the first woman to be selected as Italian Consul General in New York; she officially began her appointment on September 5, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Natalia Quintavalle was born in Pietrasanta, in the province of Lucca; after graduating in 1981 with a degree in Political Science from the University of Pisa, she then studied diplomacy and passed the examinations for diplomatic service in 1986; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is privileged to extend a warm welcome to an extraordinary visitor of such esteemed position and purpose, Consul General of Italy, Natalia Quintavalle, and to wish her continued success and happiness in all endeavors she pursues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to welcome Italian Consul General Natalia Quintavalle upon the occasion of her visit to Albany, New York, and to thank her for all she has done for the Italian-American community in New York State since her appointment

as Consul General of Italy; and

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Consul General of Italy, Natalia Quintavalle.