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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Father Witold Mroziewski upon the occasion of being promoted to Auxiliary Bishop by Pope Francis on July 20, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to applaud the just recognition of men of the cloth who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and long-standing preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, this Legislative Body is proud to congratulate Father Witold Mroziewski upon the occasion of being promoted to Auxiliary Bishop by Pope Francis; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion will be celebrated with an Ordination Ceremony performed by Brooklyn Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio on Monday, July 20, 2015; thenceforth, Father Witold Mroziewski will help the Bishop tend to the 1.5 million Catholics spread across Brooklyn and Queens; and

WHEREAS, Witold Mroziewski was born on March 25, 1966, to Wacława Jablonska and the late Jan Edmund Mroziewski in Augustow, Poland; and

WHEREAS, In 1991, Witold Mroziewski earned his master's degree in Theology from the Catholic University, Lublin, Poland; he furthered his education by obtaining his master's degree in Canon Law in 2001, and a Juris Canon Doctorate degree two years later; and

WHEREAS, On June 29, 1991, Bishop Juliusz Paetz ordained Witold Mroziewski to the priesthood at the Cathedral of Lomza, Poland; his first assignment was as Parochial Vicar in the parish of Kadzidlo, Poland; and

WHEREAS, Father Witold Mroziewski was then sent to Brooklyn to minister to Polish ex-patriots in 1992; from 1993-2000, he held the position of Parochial Vicar of Our Lady of Czestochowa-Saint Casmir, as well as

Pastor from 2000-2013; and

WHEREAS, Since 2013, Father Witold Mroziwski has faithfully served as Pastor of Holy Cross Parish, Brooklyn; in addition, he holds the title of both Associate Promoter of Justice for Criminal Cases and the Defender of the Bond on the Diocesan Tribunal; and

WHEREAS, Father Witold Mroziwski has brought to his ministry an overwhelming spirit of charity and compassion, acting from vision and enlightenment in conducting his administrative and spiritual duties, while always displaying the highest standards of personal and professional integrity and dedication; 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 corporal needs of all; 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 congratulate Father Witold Mroziwski upon the occasion of being promoted to Auxiliary Bishop by Pope Francis, noting his unremitting and compassionate faith and his exemplary service to God, man, and his community, and extending to him the heartfelt best wishes of this Legislative Body for a future of continued purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Father Witold Mroziwski.