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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Michael and Angela Stephan upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Associazione Culturale Pugliese Figli Maria S.S. Addolorata on June 18, 2016

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 individuals who 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 commend Michael and Angela Stephan upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by the Associazione Culturale Pugliese Figli Maria S.S. Addolorata, to be celebrated at its 9th Annual Gala on Saturday, June 18, 2016, at Gargiulo's Restaurant, Brooklyn, New York; and WHEREAS, A man and woman of singular distinction, Michael and Angela Stephan have continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in their unwavering service to their community and profession and consequently have been selected for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Born to Luigi and Lucrezia Perrone in Brooklyn, New York, Angela Stephan is a first generation American from a proud ancestry of Mola di Bari, Puglia, Italy; and

WHEREAS, In 1988, Angela Stephan earned her Bachelor's degree in Management from Baruch College, New York City; today, she works parttime for a market research firm and loves to read, make crafts, and travel; and

WHEREAS, Michael Stephan was born in 1967, to Geraldine and Lawrence Stephan of Brooklyn; in 1985, he graduated from Franklin Delano Roose-

velt High School; and

WHEREAS, For over 20 years, Michael Stephan has held the position of Global Head of Corporate Assets in a private investment firm; when he is not working, he enjoys playing golf, travelling with his family, and rooting for the Dallas Cowboys; and

WHEREAS, In September of 1985, Michael Stephan and Angela Perrone met, and were married on June 17, 1989; in January of 1990, the couple moved to Staten Island, New York, where they had their two children; and WHEREAS, Despite their busy professional lives, Michael and Angela Stephan have been called upon to contribute their time and talents to the Associazione Culturale Pugliese Figli Maria S.S. Addolorata and have always given of themselves unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Michael and Angela Stephan have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With them throughout have been their two children, Michael Louis and Leanna Nicole, both of whom feel privileged to be a part of their lives and rejoice in their achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Michael and Angela Stephan have displayed throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Michael and Angela Stephan upon the occasion of their desig-

nation for special recognition by the Associazione Culturale Pugliese Figli Maria S.S. Addolorata on June 18, 2016; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Michael and Angela Stephan.