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Senate Resolution No. 3593

BY: Senator CROCI

HONORING Joseph E. Mottola upon the occasion of his retirement after 42 years of dedicated service to the Long Island Board of REALTORS, Inc.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Joseph E. Mottola upon the occasion of his retirement after 42 years of dedicated service to the Long Island Board of REALTORS, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Joseph E. Mottola upon the occasion of his retirement after 42 years of dedicated service to the Long Island Board of REALTORS, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Joseph E. Mottola, Chief Executive Officer of the Long Island Board of REALTORS, Inc. (LIBOR), and its subsidiary the Multiple Listing Service of Long Island (MLSLI), will officially retire in June of 2018, after four decades of strong, unwavering and visionary leadership; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Fordham University, Joseph E. Mottola

honorably served his country as an officer in the United States Army and Army Reserves; and

WHEREAS, Joseph E. Mottola began his illustrious career in real estate with Levitt & Sons, where he worked on a variety of assignments but was most heavily involved in new developments on Long Island; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure as CEO of the Long Island Board of REALTORS, Joseph E. Mottola has led the development and implementation of real estate computer systems, training and education facilities, and instituted a formal outreach service program; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he established a formal professional development department which is now running more than 600 education courses per year, as well as a government affairs department that maintains relationships with local, state and federal elected officials; and

WHEREAS, Joseph E. Mottola was instrumental in the 1996 launch of MLSLI.com, one of the nation's first regional housing websites; today it is the area's largest and most comprehensive source for housing information; and

WHEREAS, Due to the tremendous growth of LIBOR, Joseph E. Mottola opened three Regional Service Centers to better serve REALTORS and their clients with education classrooms and computer training facilities; and

WHEREAS, In December of 2008, Joseph E. Mottola was appointed by then Governor David Paterson to serve as a member of the New York State

Real Estate Board, which provides the Department of State with consumer and industry input; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and accolades, Joseph E. Mottola was honored with Long Island Business News' 2014 Outstanding CEO Award; and

WHEREAS, Joseph E. Mottola serves on the Community Development Corporation Advisory Council and as a Director for the Long Island Housing Partnership; he has also served on several state and national industry committees, and is a frequent speaker on industry trends and the housing market; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Gabriele, and their nine children, as well as 26 grandchildren, who have all shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, leadership, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Joseph E. Mottola over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Joseph E. Mottola upon the occasion of his retirement after 42 years of dedicated service to the Long Island Board of REALTORS, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joseph E. Mottola.