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Senate Resolution No. 3957

BY: Senator GOLDEN

COMMENDING Mary M. Koren upon the occasion of her designation as Deputy Marshal of the 2018 Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to individuals of true purpose and worthy accomplishment who work diligently to preserve and celebrate their rich cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Mary M. Koren upon the occasion of her designation as Deputy Marshal of the 2018 Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade; and

WHEREAS, In acknowledgment of this most prestigious appointment, Mary M. Koren will march as Deputy Marshal of the 25th Annual Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade down 3rd Avenue in Brooklyn, New York, on Sunday, March 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade is meant to recognize and celebrate Irish culture, heritage and pride, for those who have emigrated here from the Emerald Isle, the Irish-American community, as well as those who are Irish in spirit; and

WHEREAS, Mary M. Koren was born to Frances and Benjamin Koren in

Brooklyn, New York, where she was a student at Our Lady of Angels (OLA) School and St. John Villa Academy; after graduating, she attended Staten Island Community College, and then transferred to Richmond College where she earned her bachelor's degree in business and economics; and

WHEREAS, Mary M. Koren began her 35-year career in the banking and financial industry as a teller at Fiduciary Trust; she rose through the ranks to become an Assistant Vice President in the Operations Department; currently, she holds the title of Client Specialist at Bay Ridge Financial Group and CPA Tax Planning; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to her parish, Mary M. Koren enjoys volunteering at OLA in various capacities such as Director of the Folk Mass, Extraordinary Minister, Assistant Leader of Girl Scouts, and as Service Unit co-Manager; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman is also a member of the Thomas Hughes Council of the Columbiettes No. 481, supports the Guy M. Stewart Cancer Fund, and serves as Treasurer of American Legion Auxiliary No. 157, and Vice President of the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians No. 22; and

WHEREAS, When she is not working or helping someone, Mary M. Koren loves to root for the Brooklyn Cyclones Baseball Team, and travel to Walt Disney World with her sister, Frances; and

WHEREAS, A St. Patrick's Day Parade reflects and records the ongoing history of the United States and Ireland, and provides an opportunity for people of all generations to assemble in ethnic pride and pageantry; and

WHEREAS, A fitting choice for Deputy Marshal for the Bay Ridge St.

Patrick's Day Parade, Mary M. Koren embodies the spirit and the cherished ideals and values of Irish-Americans of this great State and Nation; 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Mary M. Koren upon the occasion of her designation as Deputy Marshal of the 2018 Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary M. Koren.