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Senate Resolution No. 4778

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Christopher Pappis upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Sons of Pericles on April 29, 2018

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 organizations and individuals who would 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 honor Christopher G. Pappis upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Sons of Pericles, to be celebrated with an Awards Brunch on Sunday, April 29, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Christopher George Pappis was born on July 24, 1985, to Daughters of Penelope Past District Governor Karen Takes Pappis and Chapter No. 140 four term Past President and 2010 AHEPAN of the Year, George L. Pappis; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man has served as Chapter Secretary of the Albany Chapter of the Order of AHEPA for the past two years, and was unanimously elected as AHEPA District No. 6 Secretary at the June 2015

District Convention in Albany, New York, diligently serving both positions concurrently; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to the organization, Christopher Pappis has been a key member of the Chapter program committee handling donations of gifts to the Bernard and Millie Duker Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center during the Christmas season; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he has co-chaired numerous events and activities such as the AHEPA Children's Christmas Party, the Greek Independence Day Program, OXI Day Celebration, and assisted in the Veterans Program; and

WHEREAS, As District Secretary, Christopher Pappis has made numerous chapter visitations, coordinated all documents and paperwork regarding district dues and obligations to National Headquarters, acted as liaison to many activities with the Sons of Pericles, and is in constant communication with the District Governor and Lodge Officers to assure smooth operation of AHEPA District No. 6; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Pappis was raised in Albany, New York, attending St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, where he continues to serve as an altar boy and St. Sophia Webmaster; he has also participated in numerous activities and events such as the Annual Greek Festival, reviewing the weekly bulletin for publication, and Adult Religious Education; and

WHEREAS, After earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics: Adolescence Education from the College of Saint Rose, Christopher Pappis went on to attain a Master of Science degree in Education with a concentration in Educational Technology, achieving a GPA of 4.0; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Pappis also holds a New York State Initial Certification as an Educational Technology Specialist, a New York State Initial Certification in Mathematics Education 7-12, and a New York State Initial Certification in Mathematics 5-6 Extension; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Christopher Pappis has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Christopher Pappis, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Christopher Pappis upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Sons of Pericles on April 29, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Christopher Pappis.