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Senate Resolution No. 4815

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING Frank Bruni upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Urban Assembly School for Law and Justice on April 30, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those illustrious journalists who have diligently and consistently, year after year, recorded the history of their communities and brought local news and news of the larger world to their readers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Frank Bruni upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Urban Assembly School for Law and Justice to be celebrated at its Annual Spring Benefit on Monday, April 30, 2018, at Midtown Loft & Terrace in New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Urban Assembly School for Law and Justice is a public high school which serves a population of at-risk, low-income students from historically disadvantaged communities across Brooklyn and other boroughs; and

WHEREAS, Raised in both White Plains, New York, and Avon, Connecticut, Frank Bruni earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Master of Science from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism; and

WHEREAS, For five years, Frank Bruni worked for the Detroit Free Press, where he covered the AIDS crisis and the first Persian Gulf War; in 1993, he was a Pulitzer Prize finalist in feature writing; and

WHEREAS, Frank Bruni joined the staff of The New York Times in 1995 and, over two decades, has served in an array of roles: White House correspondent, Congressional reporter, writer at large for The Times Magazine, chief restaurant critic, and Rome Bureau chief; and

WHEREAS, Since June of 2011, Frank Bruni has been a twice-weekly Op-Ed columnist for The New York Times, focusing on American politics, higher education, and social issues; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work with The New York Times, Frank Bruni is a frequent CNN Contributor and the author of three New York Times bestselling books including *Where You Go Is Not Who You'll Be: An Antidote to the College Admissions Mania*; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Frank Bruni upon the occasion of his designation for special

recognition by the Urban Assembly School for Law and Justice on April 30, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Frank Bruni.