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Senate Resolution No. 77

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Bishop Howard Hubbard Humanitarian Award by Catholic Charities

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals and organizations which distinguish themselves through their unremitting commitment and service to humanity; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long- standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Bishop Howard Hubbard Humanitarian Award by Catholic Charities, to be celebrated at its 6th Annual Night at the Museum on Thursday, June 21, 2018, at the New York State Museum, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet (CSJ) is a

congregation of religious women which traces its origin to LePuy en Velay, France in 1650; and

WHEREAS, Active in the Diocese of Albany since 1858, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet remain an integral partner in service to the poor and vulnerable in the local community; and

WHEREAS, As stated in their constitutions, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet are called to the same profound love of God and love of neighbor without distinction which characterized the women who founded the congregation over 365 years ago; and

WHEREAS, Rooted in prayer, in community living, and in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet commit themselves to the mission of unity and reconciliation, nonviolence, and peacemaking; and

WHEREAS, Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet have been deeply involved in Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany throughout its distinguished history of helping the less fortunate; CSJ's have been important leaders and contributors over the years, opening programs and ministering to those in need; and

WHEREAS, The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet's charism of love of neighbor, service, and ministry work has been a tremendous blessing to Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Albany; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to commend the efforts of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, throughout the long and

enduring history of this noble congregation, who have devoted their lives to the benevolent care of others and ministered to the sick with an overwhelming spirit of charity and love; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Bishop Howard Hubbard Humanitarian Award by Catholic Charities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.