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Senate Resolution No. 204

BY: Senator BRESLIN

HONORING Dr. Lawrence Bradley upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Volunteer of the Year Award by the Pride Center of the Capital Region

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body recognizes the profound impact of those exemplary individuals within the great State of New York who proactively work for the enfranchisement of minority communities, and the importance of such work for the benefit of all citizens of this State, and indeed, all citizens of the Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Lawrence Bradley upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Volunteer of the Year Award by the Pride Center of the Capital Region to be celebrated at its Annual Awards Gala on Friday, October 19, 2018, at the Albany Capital Center, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious event benefits the Pride Center of the Capital Region and celebrates the important contributions of individuals who work hard to empower the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer/questioning (LGBTQ) community; Dr. Lawrence Bradley is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, Originally from Albany, Dr. Lawrence Bradley received his JD in 1960 and his Ph.D. in European History in 1971; and

WHEREAS, From 1963 through 1991, Dr. Lawrence Bradley was a professor at Notre Dame in a variety of disciplines including Constitutional History, Humanistic Studies, Property Settlement, and Business Law; and

WHEREAS, In 1991, Dr. Lawrence Bradley helped found the Gay and Lesbian Alumni Association of Notre Dame and St. Mary's College (GALANDISMC); and

WHEREAS, Beginning in 1992 until 1994, he served on the Board of Directors of My Brother's House, a local South Bend/Mishawaka IN HIV/AIDS support organization; and

WHEREAS, Since returning to the Albany area in August of 2003, Dr.

Lawrence Bradley has been a volunteer for the Pride Center, the

Salvation Army, and the Cohoes NY Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen; and

WHEREAS, In 2006, Dr. Lawrence Bradley received the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Pride Center, and in April of 2018, he received one of seven Albany County Volunteer of the Year Awards for his service to the Pride Center; and

WHEREAS, Our society is greatly benefited by the purposeful efforts of individuals who unite for the cause of improving the quality of life for others, and who proactively work toward the goal of dignity for all; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 honor Dr. Lawrence Bradley upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Volunteer of the Year Award by the Pride Center of the Capital Region; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Lawrence Bradley.