

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Center for Family Life upon the occasion of hosting its Celebrating Community Event

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 commend Center for Family Life upon the occasion of hosting its Celebrating Community Event on Wednesday, May 22, 2013, in New York City; and

WHEREAS, This special festivity will also recognize Paul DiLorenzo, Senior Director at Casey Family Programs and Corinne Vinal, Principal at Sunset Park High School; and

WHEREAS, Center for Family Life (CFL) is a neighborhood-based family and social services organization with deep roots in Sunset Park, Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, Since 1978, Center for Family Life has been a force for positive change in the community; its goal is to strengthen the community from within by empowering individuals and families to develop their unique potential; and

WHEREAS, Every day, Center for Family Life helps young people and adults develop the skills they need for secure, fulfilling lives; CFL offers a comprehensive range of programs and services that address families' needs from every angle including: family counseling and neighborhood-based foster care; cultural, educational and recreational programs at neighborhood public schools, adult and youth employment programs; and an emergency storefront for food and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Center for Family Life is embedded in the life of Sunset Park and functions as a reliable partner to families, schools, local agencies and organizations; its staff has a close, long-term connection to the community, and works passionately for change that improves opportunities and enhances the quality of life of the community; and

WHEREAS, Its mission is to promote positive outcomes for children, adults and families in Sunset Park through the provision of a comprehensive range of neighborhood-based family and social services; it partners with the community to provide access to resources and opportunities for personal growth and the development of interpersonal relationships that sustain and nurture families, support youth to develop into confident, capable adults and enrich the quality of life for neighborhood residents; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those individuals and organizations which enhance the well-being and vitality of the community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned our recognition and applause; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Center for Family Life upon the occasion of hosting its Celebrating Community Event; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Center for Family Life and the aforementioned honorees.