

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Kathleen Buscemi upon the occasion of her induction into the Fontbonne Hall Academy Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Kathleen Buscemi upon the occasion of her induction into the Fontbonne Hall Academy Hall of Fame; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at the Academy's Fleur de Lys Dinner Dance, to be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Fontbonne Hall Academy is an all-girls, private, Roman Catholic high school in Brooklyn, New York; it was established in 1937 by the Sisters of St. Joseph, and is located within the Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, Born in Queens, New York, Kathleen Buscemi grew up in Floral Park, New York; she spent her formative years in Catholic school, and was influenced by the education she received there; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Buscemi attended Our Lady of the Snows Elementary School and Bishop Reilly High School, which is now known as St. Francis Preparatory School in Fresh Meadows; upon graduation from Bishop Reilly, she attended Queens College, receiving a B.A. degree in Education in 1974, followed by an M.S. degree in Special Education in 1976; and

WHEREAS, In 1974, Kathleen Buscemi began her career in education at Holy Child Jesus School; she taught there from September 1974 until June 1981; she began her ten year tenure at Saint Fidelis School in 1992, where she taught until June 2002; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Buscemi returned to Queens College and received a Professional Diploma in Social Studies Education in 1995; in September 2002, she became Principal of Saint Bernard School in Mill Basin; she received an M.S. degree in Administration in 2004 from Fordham University; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Buscemi and her husband, Joseph, live in Bellerose, New York; they are the proud parents of three wonderful children, Joseph, Patrick and Erin; and have one beautiful granddaughter, Isabella; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Kathleen Buscemi has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor, and has earned the respect and admiration of her colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Kathleen Buscemi has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Kathleen Buscemi upon the occasion of her induction into the Fontbonne Hall Academy Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kathleen Buscemi.