

BY: Senator MARCELLINO

COMMENDING Nicholas Ciappetta, JD upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Tri Community and Youth Agency on March 30, 2017

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Nicholas Ciappetta, JD upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Tri Community and Youth Agency to be celebrated at its Hall of Honor Cocktail Party and Dinner on Thursday, March 30, 2017, at the Woodbury Country Club in Woodbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Tri Community and Youth Agency is a private, not-for-profit community based agency dedicated to supporting the growth and development of youth and their families in the communities of Huntington, South Huntington and Cold Spring Harbor; and

WHEREAS, For over three decades, the Tri Community and Youth Agency has provided a wide variety of educational, recreational, social, cultural, athletic, counseling and advocacy programs, and worked closely with businesses, school districts, law enforcement, community groups, government agencies and other local organizations; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong member of the South Huntington community, Nicholas Ciappetta graduated with honors from Walt Whitman High School; after graduating from Vassar College, he earned his Doctorate of Jurisprudence from Hofstra Law School in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Currently, Nicholas Ciappetta serves as an attorney with the New York City Law Department, where he represents the City of New York, mayoral agencies, and city officials matters in state and federal court; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Nicholas Ciappetta has successfully defended the city in a wide range of cases; in 2014, he was the recipient of the Edith Spivak Special Recognition Award for his outstanding achievements, as well as his overall enthusiasm and superior performance; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to supporting the leaders of tomorrow, Nicholas Ciappetta became a member of the South Huntington School District's Board of Education in 2004; through the years, he has served in various capacities including Vice President, and Trustee; in this role, he passionately believed in the District's mission and truly believed in

the potential of all the students, parents, and staff; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Ciappetta's tireless work ethic and trademark attention to detail qualified him to become the Chairperson of the District's Facilities and Planning Committee; in this position, he has been instrumental in renovating and modernizing South Huntington's buildings and grounds; and

WHEREAS, A true public servant, Nicholas Ciappetta is also a member on the South Huntington Educational Foundation Board of Directors; in this post, he has orchestrated fundraisers, worked at various events, and has encouraged students to realize their fullest potential and achieve success; in addition, he represents the district as The Executive Committee Member for the Nassau-Suffolk School Board Association; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Ciappetta has clearly had an enduring impact on the youth of South Huntington; through his tireless efforts, he always made the needs and concerns of his students his top priority; 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 commend Nicholas Ciappetta, JD upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Tri Community and Youth Agency; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nicholas Ciappetta, JD.