

**BY:** Senator BRESLIN

**HONORING** Vincent R. Capasso upon the occasion of his designation as a recipient of the Pro Bono Award by The Legal Project on November 4, 2016

**WHEREAS,** It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

**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,** This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Vincent R. Capasso upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Pro Bono Award by The Legal Project to be celebrated with a Luncheon on Friday, November 4, 2016, at The Century House, Latham, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Vincent R. Capasso is an associate attorney with the law firm of Capasso & Associates, LLC in Schenectady, New York; he joined the firm in 2016, after working as Staff Attorney and Pro Bono Services Coordinator for Volunteer Legal Services Hawaii and as Deputy Public Defender in Hilo, Hawaii; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to his current employment, Vincent R. Capasso is the owner and sole member of the Law Offices of Vincent R. Capasso, PLLC; and

**WHEREAS,** After graduating from Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School in 2000, Vincent R. Capasso attended college at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, before completing his undergraduate studies with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from Union College in 2006; and

**WHEREAS,** Vincent R. Capasso went on to earn a Juris Doctor degree in 2011, from Saint Thomas University School of Law in Miami, Florida; and

**WHEREAS,** Admitted to the practice of law by the Bars of the States of Hawaii and New York, Vincent R. Capasso remains an active member of the New York State Bar Association and the Schenectady County Bar Association; and

**WHEREAS,** With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to giving back to the community, Vincent R. Capasso is a member of The Legal Project's Domestic Violence Legal Connection pro bono panel; furthermore, in March of 2015, he graciously took on a complex custody and support case in Family Court; and

**WHEREAS,** Vincent R. Capasso resides in Saratoga Springs, New York,

with his 21-month old daughter, Scarlett, whose birth remains his proudest moment; and

**WHEREAS,** Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Vincent R. Capasso has displayed throughout his life; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Vincent R. Capasso upon the occasion of his designation as a recipient of the Pro Bono Award by The Legal Project on November 4, 2016; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Vincent R. Capasso.