

BY: Senator TEDISCO

COMMENDING The Honorable Barry D. Kramer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens who would devote their life's work and purpose to public service, contributing to the efficiency of the judicial process while guarding over the welfare of the citizens and communities of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, From time to time society calls upon these outstanding members to be recognized for their valued contributions, publicly acknowledging their leadership, commitment and selfless contributions in enhancing the quality of life in their community; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend The Honorable Barry D. Kramer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by Resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, Barry D. Kramer served as Schenectady County Surrogate's Court Judge from 1993 to 2009; for most of this time, he was also a full-time Acting Supreme Court Justice and joined the Supreme Court in 2010; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated public servant, Judge Barry D. Kramer has helped countless families concerning cases of unclaimed property of the deceased without wills as well as adoptions; and

WHEREAS, Throughout a life and career of purposeful endeavor, Judge Barry D. Kramer has remained true to his commitment, serving family and community, as well as the law; his contributions and accomplishments have brought great benefit and positive influence to bear upon the course of jurisprudence and the quality of life for others; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his civic service, Barry D. Kramer was an All-American, and the second leading scorer in the nation in Division One college basketball in 1963; he was the first-round draft choice in the NBA of the San Francisco Warriors, now the Golden State Warriors, and later played guard for the New York Knicks; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their

profession, 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 The Honorable Barry D. Kramer upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Barry D. Kramer.