

Senate Resolution No. 1931

BY: Senator MAYER

COMMENDING Seamus Carey, Ph.D. upon the occasion of his installation as the ninth President of Iona College in New Rochelle, New York, on July 1, 2019

WHEREAS, New York State's commitment to education is unparalleled; its history and stature are secured by the superlative caliber of its educational professionals and the students they inspire; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those individuals of outstanding character and remarkable integrity who enhance the quality of education of the young people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Seamus Carey, Ph.D. upon the occasion of his installation as the ninth President of Iona College in New Rochelle, New York, to be celebrated at a Ceremony on Monday, July 1, 2019; and

WHEREAS, A Bronx native and first-generation college student, Seamus Carey earned a Ph.D. in Philosophy and Master of Arts from Fordham University, and a bachelor's degree from Vassar College; he also attended Harvard University's Management Development Program and the Executive Leadership Academy sponsored by the Council of Independent Colleges; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Seamus Carey began his long and distinguished career as the Chairman of the philosophy department at Manhattan College where he taught for nine years; he then served as the Dean of Arts and Sciences at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut, for four years; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his selection as the new President of Iona College, Dr. Seamus Carey has held the title of President of Transylvania University, a highly regarded liberal arts college in Lexington, Kentucky, since 2014; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Dr. Seamus Carey transformed the campus, successfully led the school's commitment to diversity and inclusion efforts, and forged strong ties to the city's civic and business communities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Seamus Carey has also published three books, which have focused on the intersection of philosophy, parenting, and family life; and is a contributor to **Huffington Post**; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Noreen, and their three children, Caitriona, Anna, and James, all of whom have shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Educators like Dr. Seamus Carey provide a tremendous

service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of young people in their educational journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who work to support our proud tradition of public education by providing their skills and talents to our colleges; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Seamus Carey, Ph.D. upon the occasion of his installation as the ninth President of Iona College in New Rochelle, New York, on July 1, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Seamus Carey, Ph.D.