

BY: Senator MAYER

COMMEMORATING the dedication of the new facility
at the LaPenta School of Business at Iona College on
December 11, 2019

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those exemplary institutions of higher education within the State of New York for their enduring commitment to the pursuit of academic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the dedication of the new facility at the LaPenta School of Business at Iona College, to be celebrated at a ceremony on Wednesday, December 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, In the Fall of 2016, Iona College announced plans for a new facility for the LaPenta School of Business; the modern facility will incorporate part of the existing Hagan Hall while more than doubling the space for classrooms, lectures and faculty offices; and

WHEREAS, The facility will showcase the front of Hagan Hall, along with its iconic cupola, and will set it in an open glass atrium with views to the rest of campus; the atrium, or Grand Hall, will be a gathering space and a venue for larger events than can currently be accommodated elsewhere on campus; and

WHEREAS, Along with state-of-the-art smart classrooms, case-study and breakout rooms, a business career center, quiet study space, and integrated faculty and administrative offices, the new structure will also feature an expanded and relocated LaPenta-Lynch Trading Floor, a LaPenta School of Business centerpiece since it opened in October of 2011; and

WHEREAS, The LaPenta School of Business offers students high-quality academic programs in all aspects of business; students develop broad knowledge and capabilities in general business concepts, and also develop a deep understanding of the area they choose as their major; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, students have many opportunities to improve their career readiness and leverage out-of-class experiences to prepare themselves thoroughly for the next stage of their lives; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the LaPenta School of Business at Iona College has been defined by unparalleled standards of learning and has produced countless leaders throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, With great admiration, this Legislative Body is proud to pay tribute to this eminent university which stands at the threshold of the future with its legacy of outstanding achievements and its impressive body of distinguished alumni; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the dedication of the new facility at the LaPenta School of Business at Iona College on December 11, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to William B. Lamb, Ph.D., Dean of LaPenta School of Business.