

BY: M. of A. Buttenschon

COMMENDING The Reverend Alfred A. Lamanna upon the occasion of celebrating the 70th Anniversary of his ordination to the Most Holy Priesthood on June 9, 2019

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend The Reverend Alfred A. Lamanna upon the occasion of celebrating the 70th Anniversary of his ordination to the Most Holy Priesthood on Sunday, June 9, 2019, at Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church, Frankfort, New York; and

WHEREAS, Alfred A. Lamanna was born on September 5, 1921, in the City of Amsterdam, New York, the son of Louis and Louise Delli Veneri Lamanna; he graduated from Wilbur Lynch High School in 1940, and went on to Siena College, Catholic University and St. Bonaventure University; and

WHEREAS, After attending Christ the King Seminary, Alfred A. Lamanna was ordained a priest at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception by Edmund Gibbons, bishop of the Albany Diocese, on June 11, 1949; and

WHEREAS, During the summer of that year, Father Alfred A. Lamanna began his illustrious career at the Cathedral before being assigned to St. Mary's Parish in Little Falls; he went on to serve as an assistant pastor at St. Mary's of Mt. Carmel in Frankfort, New York from 1952-1958, returning as pastor in July of 1969; and

WHEREAS, Upon his retirement in 1994, Father Alfred A. Lamanna continued to serve the parishes of Herkimer, Montgomery County in the Albany Diocese, and Oneida County in the Syracuse Diocese; in addition, he served as the National Boy Scout chaplain and on the Diocesan Committee for Italian Immigration; and

WHEREAS, Father Alfred A. Lamanna has been a member of the Knights of Columbus for over 60 Years, serving as chaplain of the Herkimer Council; he is also the former spiritual advisor to the St. Pio Prayer Group in New Hartford, New York; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he served as the Central New York promoter for

the canonization of Cardinal Terrance Cooke, and on the board of directors of Catholic Charities of Herkimer County; and

WHEREAS, Father Alfred A. Lamanna has brought to his ministry an overwhelming spirit of charity and compassion, acting from vision and enlightenment in conducting his administrative and spiritual duties, while always displaying the highest standards of personal and professional integrity and dedication; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished man of God has always given enlightenment, guidance and wisdom to the many entrusted to his care and has administered abundantly and unstintingly to the spiritual and corporal needs of all; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend The Reverend Alfred A. Lamanna upon the occasion of celebrating the 70th Anniversary of his ordination to the Most Holy Priesthood, noting his unremitting and compassionate faith and his exemplary service to God, man, and his community, and extending to him the heartfelt best wishes of this Legislative Body for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Reverend Alfred A. Lamanna.