

BY: Senator PALUMBO

COMMENDING Glenn Niedzwieski 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 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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the caring concern and heroic acts of exemplary citizens who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations, and in doing so, help others to avert life-threatening danger; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Glenn Niedzwieski 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, On Wednesday, July 27, 2022, a woman was enjoying a meal at Cafe Spiga in Mount Sinai, New York, when she began to choke on her food; realizing she was in trouble, she immediately stood up, hoping to attract the attention of the people around her; and

WHEREAS, Fortunately, bartender Glenn Niedzwieski noticed the struggling woman and rushed from around the bar to perform the Heimlich maneuver on her; after three or four compressions, the piece of food was dislodged, allowing the woman to breathe again; and

WHEREAS, Praised for his swift actions, Glenn Niedzwieski demonstrated his true character and genuine compassion for the welfare of others, personifying, by virtue of his actions, the collective concern of ordinary citizens across the community of the State of New York who voluntarily respond when others are in need; and

WHEREAS, Justly recognized as a hero, Glenn Niedzwieski richly merits the admiration of this Legislative Body and his community for his consummate courage and heroic actions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Glenn Niedzwieski 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 Glenn Niedzwieski.