

BY: Senator GRIFFO

HONORING Carl Martin Froch upon the occasion of being inducted into the International Boxing Hall of Fame on June 10-11, 2023

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding athletes who distinguished themselves through their exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; Carl Martin Froch is one such athlete and his life of athletic achievements inspired others and contributed to the respect and admiration of the sport of boxing; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Carl Martin Froch upon the occasion of being inducted into the International Boxing Hall of Fame at Hall of Fame Weekend on June 10-11, 2023 in Canastota, New York; and

WHEREAS, Born on July 2, 1977, Carl Martin Froch is a British former professional boxer who competed from 2002 to 2014, and has since worked as a boxing analyst and commentator; and

WHEREAS, Having held many prestigious titles, Carl Martin Froch earned multiple super-middleweight world championships, including the WBC title twice between 2008 to 2011, the IBF title from 2012 to 2015, and the WBA (Unified) title from 2013 to 2015; and

WHEREAS, At regional level, Carl Martin Froch held the British and Commonwealth super-middleweight titles between 2004 to 2008, and won the Lonsdale Belt in 2006; and

WHEREAS, As an amateur, in the middleweight division, Carl Martin Froch won a bronze medal at the 2001 World Championships, and the ABA title twice; and

WHEREAS, Ranked by BoxRec as the third greatest British fighter of all time, pound for pound, Carl Martin Froch was voted Fighter of the Year for 2012 by BoxRec and Sportsman of the Year for 2013 by the United Kingdom edition of GQ magazine; he reached a peak pound for pound ranking of sixth by BoxRec and The Ring magazine, and in 2013 was listed by the BBC as the best active British boxer; and

WHEREAS, Carl Martin Froch clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of the International Boxing Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such outstanding athletic accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Carl Martin Froch upon the occasion of being inducted into the International Boxing Hall of Fame on June 10-11, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Carl Martin Froch.