

BY: Senator WALCZYK

COMMEMORATING the 50th Anniversary of F.X. Caprara
Car Companies

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those individuals and businesses that contribute substantially to the economic vitality of their communities, thereby enhancing the economic well-being of the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of F.X. Caprara Car Companies; and

WHEREAS, F.X. Caprara Car Companies' namesake was Francis X. Caprara, a butcher in his family's grocery store in Bronx, New York; the family was forced to sell the store after a chain store moved nearby, ending 23 years of operation; a promising and successful future was ahead for the people who valued relationships with customers, laying the foundation for their business philosophy; and

WHEREAS, In 1974, Francis X. Caprara purchased 90 acres of land in Watertown, New York, and founded F.X. Caprara Car Companies; the emphasis on personal relationships, customer care, and community involvement bolstered the company's growth and expansion; the Caprara business philosophy states that success is built on relationships, customer satisfaction, and treating everyone equally; and

WHEREAS, The burgeoning dealership started with only three automobiles for sale in Pamelia, New York; today, under the ownership of Charles and William Caprara and their children's involvement in operation of the business, numerous dealerships, including Kia, Honda, Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram, and Ford locations, employ 180 staff members; there are plans to open another location in Phoenix, New York; and

WHEREAS, Exceptional customer service provided by long-term, loyal employees has significantly contributed to the success of F.X. Caprara Car Companies; the emphasis on community and the well-being of the employees has taken precedence to sales of vehicles and profit; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pride that Charles and William Caprara, their families, and the staff of dedicated workers celebrate this milestone 50th Anniversary and anticipate many more years of success for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, The progression of F.X. Caprara Car Companies is in direct correlation to the efforts of its owners and employees, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the business and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional business, its contributions to the local and State economies, and its vibrant role in improving the quality of life in its community, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling success it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of F.X. Caprara Car Companies; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to F.X. Caprara Car Companies.