LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring NYPD Officer Marco Venezia upon the occasion of his retirement

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who would devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor NYPD Officer Marco Venezia upon the occasion of his retirement, to be celebrated on Friday, June 10, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Marco Venezia is a native Brooklynite who joined the New York City Police Department in April of 1991; although he spent his first year in another precinct, he has spent most of his career in the 68th Precinct; and

WHEREAS, Marco Venezia was a Patrol Officer until 2000 when he was assigned to the Community Policing Unit; after two years, he then moved into his current position as the Planning Officer in the Community Affairs Unit where he tirelessly serves the communities of Bay Ridge, Dyker Heights and Fort Hamilton; and

WHEREAS, Marco Venezia has been dedicated to fostering police-community relations and bolstering cooperation between the two entities in order to make the neighborhoods he has served a better place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, Marco Venezia has received numerous departmental awards, including Police Officer of the Month on several occasions and has received citations from various community groups; he also was honored by being named as one of the "Hidden Treasures of the Community" by the Bay Ridge Community Council; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Maryann, and their three children, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor NYPD Officer Marco Venezia upon the occasion of his retirement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to NYPD Officer Marco Venezia.