

**BY:** Senator GOLDEN

**HONORING** William J. McMahon upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by St. Edmund Preparatory High School on April 22, 2018

**WHEREAS,** Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

**WHEREAS,** William J. McMahon has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor William J. McMahon upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by St. Edmund Preparatory High School, to be celebrated at its Anniversary Gala on Sunday, April 22, 2018, at Giando on the Water, Brooklyn, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** William J. McMahon is a true champion of St. Edmund Preparatory High School and a tireless advocate of the study of Mathematics and Science; and

**WHEREAS,** After reading a newspaper article about the disparity between boys and girls in the study of Math and Science, William J. McMahon decided to provide a yearly scholarship for a female student who excelled in the Sciences with the hope they would be encouraged to pursue their studies in college and beyond; and

**WHEREAS,** Since 2006, William J. McMahon has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to a female student who exhibits a passion for science; five years later, he began making an additional gift for a scholarship dedicated to a female student who excels in mathematics; and

**WHEREAS,** Furthermore, in 2013, William J. McMahon decided to contribute yet another \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to a male student with strong aptitude in science; and

**WHEREAS,** With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to the students, William J. McMahon yearned to introduce them to one of his passions, investing in the stock market, and subsequently has made substantial donations to the school's Investment Club; and

**WHEREAS,** William J. McMahon gives so generously to St. Edmund Preparatory High School to honor the memory of his daughter Patricia, a St. Edmund student, who was tragically killed in a car accident during her sophomore year in 1986; and

**WHEREAS,** This extraordinary man truly believes that each life, no matter how brief, forever changes the world; his wish to encourage students in their studies, in honor of Patricia, truly empowers these

students to change the world; and

**WHEREAS,** Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which William J. McMahon has displayed throughout his life; and

**WHEREAS,** It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to William J. McMahon, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor William J. McMahon upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by St. Edmund Preparatory High School on April 22, 2018; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to William J. McMahon.