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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Don Anding upon the occasion of being drafted by the Philadelphia Union soccer club of Major League Soccer

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those exemplary athletes who excel in professional athletics, distinguishing themselves through notable achievements and representing the great Empire State with pride and determination; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Don Anding upon the occasion of being drafted by the Philadelphia Union soccer club of Major League Soccer; and WHEREAS, A 2009 graduate of Chaminade High School and Northeastern University forward, Don Anding was selected in the second round and No. 26 overall as part of the 2013 Major League Soccer Draft; and WHEREAS, In the 2012 season, Don Anding was the first Northeastern NSCAA All-American in program history and the university's first College Soccer News All-American since 2001: and WHEREAS, Don Anding also led the CAA in points and goals, was tied for first in game-winning goals, and was second in assists; and WHEREAS, Don Anding ranks 11th in the nation in both points per game (1.67) and total points (35) and was 13th in the country in total goals (14); and

WHEREAS, In addition, Don Anding was the CAA rookie of the year in 2009, and was the conference's player of the year in 2012; and WHEREAS, As a member of the Chaminade Flyers, Don Anding was a two-year varsity player, being named one of the team captains in his senior year; he also helped the Flyers win one of their four state champion-ships in 2007; and

WHEREAS, A gifted athlete, Don Anding has become a role model in the sport of soccer; his character and achievements stand as a sterling example and inspiration to all who would aspire to success; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of

the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Don Anding upon the occasion of being drafted by the Philadelphia Union soccer club of Major League Soccer; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Don Anding.