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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring David Driggs upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of the Sister Maureen Joyce Distinguished Service Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to the dedicated efforts of those individuals from across the State of New York who volunteer their time and energies in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor David Driggs upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of the Sister Maureen Joyce Distinguished Service Award; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 3, 2013, at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites in Latham, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Sister Maureen Joyce Distinguished Service Award is given annually to persons, organizations, and businesses that have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the spirit of the Sister Maureen Joyce Center through their outreach and advocacy on behalf of the poor and vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, Born on October 17, 1946, David Driggs attended Our Lady Help of Christians, St. Ann's, and Cardinal McCloskey schools in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, David Driggs served in the United States Army, and in 2003 retired after 33 years of dedicated service with the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, In June 2005, David Driggs began volunteering in the kitchen at the then-named St. Maximilian Kolbe Interfaith Soup Kitchen; and

WHEREAS, David Driggs's volunteerism progressed from helping out at the soup kitchen to some cooking, and then to even more cooking; currently, in conjunction with the staff, he makes up the menu for each month; he puts unconditional love into each one of his dishes; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism is an essential element of all societies; it provides a way in which the human values of community, caring and serving can be sustained and strengthened; and

WHEREAS, Married to the late Carolyn Joyce DiStasio on December 10, 1977, David Driggs has two children, Craig and Brenda, and a beloved grandson, Tyler; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which David Driggs has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor David Driggs upon the occasion of his designation as the recipient of the Sister Maureen Joyce Distinguished Service Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to David Driggs.