



DUTCHESS COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Commendation: Bishop Gerardo J. Colacicco

Legislator McHOUL offers the following and moves its adoption:

WHEREAS, Bishop Gerardo J. Colacicco was born on September 19, 1955, in St. Francis Hospital, Poughkeepsie, NY, to Angelo and Irma Colacicco, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Colacicco was raised in the Faith and attended Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish and St. Mary's Parish in Poughkeepsie, and during high school and college worked in St. Mary's Parish Rectory and was greatly influenced by his Pastor, Msgr. Matthew J. Cox, and was also profoundly influenced by Bishop Joseph M. Pernicone, whom he knew and greatly admired from his days at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and

WHEREAS, after receiving a degree in history from Marist College, Bishop Colacicco entered Saint Joseph's Seminary, and was ordained a Priest in 1982 by Terence Cardinal Cooke, and his pastoral assignments include Sacred Heart Parish in Newburgh as a Deacon, and as Parochial Vicar at Good Shepherd Parish in Rhinebeck, Our Lady of Fatima in Scarsdale, and at Saint Columba in Hopewell Junction before becoming Priest-Secretary to Cardinal John O'Connor, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Colacicco has been Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Newburgh, Saint Columba in Hopewell Junction, and Saint Joseph-Immaculate Conception in Millbrook, has served on the Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese, and, for four years, as Director of Pastoral Formation at Saint Joseph's Seminary, and was named a Prelate of Honor of His Holiness by Pope John Paul II in 1999, and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2019, the feast of Our Lady of Loreto, Bishop Gerardo J. Colacicco and Bishop Edmund Whalen were ordained to the episcopacy, and Bishop Colacicco will be in residence at St. Mary, Our Lady of the Falls in Wappingers Falls, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Dutchess County Legislature, on behalf of all the people of Dutchess County, does hereby commend and congratulate Bishop Gerardo J. Colacicco on the distinguished high honor of being ordained to the episcopacy.

STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 10th day of February 2020, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 10th day of February 2020.

CAROLYN MORRIS, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE