

The Professor Joseph D. Santora Natatorium

WHEREAS Professor Joseph D. Santora was the founding Chairperson of the Physical Education, Department at Queensborough Community College, and in 1991, after 30 years of service was designated Professor Emeritus; and

WHEREAS One of Professor Santora's lasting contributions was overseeing the construction of the campus swimming pool in the gymnasium building; and

WHEREAS Professor Santora will turn one hundred years old in March 2025, and in his honor, his family, has pledged \$100,000 (one hundred thousand dollars) to name the swimming pool in the Robert F. Kennedy gymnasium building, the *Professor Joseph D. Santora Natatorium*. (The donor has fulfilled 30% of the pledge); and

WHEREAS this gift would establish an endowed scholarship for Queensborough students enrolled in associate degree programs offered by the College's Health, Physical Education, and Dance Department.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED in recognition of this gift, and Professor Joseph D. Santora's long and distinguished career at Queensborough Community College, the atrium where the swimming pool is housed in the Robert F. Kennedy gymnasium building, be named the ***Professor Joseph D. Santora Natatorium***, an action to be submitted to the CUNY Board of Trustees on December 16 for their approval.