



**By The Representative of The Thirteenth Congressional District of New York
In the 115th Congress, Second Session**

WHEREAS, Mr. Joseph Tacopina, Esq. is one of the most decorated, effective, well-respected criminal defense lawyers in the United States today; he has shown a commitment to public-service and equitable application of the law;

WHEREAS, after serving as a prosecutor for years, Mr. Tacopina swapped the 'sword' for the 'shield' and decided to bring his talents to the criminal defense bar in the name of equal justice; his extensive litigation experience of high-profile cases in both federal and state court has landed him the title of the "hottest young criminal defense lawyer" in New York;

WHEREAS, due to his prestigious legal acumen Mr. Tacopina is regularly asked to provide legal analysis on major television networks such as MSNBC, CNBC, NBC, ABC, Fox News, CNN, and Court TV;

WHEREAS, Mr. Tacopina volunteers his time as an adjunct professor at Fordham Law School and lectures nationwide on a variety of legal issues, he has displayed a devotion to mentoring and encouraging young lawyers; somehow, despite his extracurricular commitments, Mr. Tacopina has been recognized for the second year in a row by Super Lawyers, a distinction given to attorneys who exhibit brilliance in practice;

NOW, THEREFORE I, ADRIANO ESPAILLAT, Representative of the Thirteenth Congressional District of New York in the United States House of Representatives, do hereby recognize:

Mr. Joseph Tacopina, Esq.

Representative Adriano Espaillat

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adriano Espaillat".

Member of Congress
13th Congressional District of New York