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Senate Resolution No. 864

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING Not Another Child, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its Pre-Mother's Day Celebration on May 6, 2023

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Not Another Child, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its Pre-Mother's Day Celebration on Saturday, May 6, 2023, in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Not Another Child, Inc. was established in 2007 after the senseless killing of Andrell Daron Napper, who was a victim of a stray bullet that came from a gun being held by a 15-year-old; not wanting his death to be in vain, Andrell Daron's mother, Oresa Napper-Williams, and brother, Justin Napper, knew that despite this tragedy, something had to be done to positively change and influence the lives of other families; and

WHEREAS, The non-profit was created with the intention of helping

inner-city families who are directly impacted by violence; the anchor of its mission is to align the efforts of their members so that they impact communities of color on a global level; and

WHEREAS, Through programs, workshops and events, Not Another Child, Inc. provides reactive and proactive wholeness and healing through unconventional therapeutic support services to those that have experienced a violent and/or traumatic event; and

WHEREAS, The honorees for the event include Maxine Lewis, in memory of her son Carlton Locksley Bennett; Carolyn Dixon, in memory of her son Darryl Lynch; Yvette Ramos, in memory of her son Steven Casilla; Kellie Nixon, in memory of her son Isaiah; Margaret Johnson, in memory of her grandson Daryl Eleam; Alice McKay, in memory of her son Kameron McKay; Pat Glenn, in memory of her daughter Cierra Glenn; Shneaqua CoCo Purvis, in memory of her sister Maisha "Pumpkin" Hubbard; Oresa Napper-Williams, in memory of Andrell Daron Napper; and Tammye Brunson, in memory of her son Stanley Brian Brunson, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Not Another Child, Inc. upon the occasion of hosting its Pre-Mother's Day Celebration on May 6, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Not Another Child, Inc.