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Senate Resolution No. 2675

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING Global Kids upon the occasion of hosting its 3rd Annual Teen Battle Chef Challenge on June 6, 2024

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 who devote themselves 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 Global Kids upon the occasion of hosting its 3rd Annual Teen Battle Chef Challenge on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 730 Concourse Village W, Bronx, New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1989, Carole Artigiani, award-winning educator, founded Global Kids to address the urgent need for young people, especially in under-resourced schools and neighborhoods, to develop the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to participate in the democratic process and achieve leadership in an interdependent, technologically sophisticated global society; and

WHEREAS, Incorporated in 1991, Global Kids is a nonprofit organization that has been devoted to developing and implementing

culturally relevant, anti-racist youth development, and academic enrichment programs for over three decades; and

WHEREAS, Growing from humble beginnings, Global Kids has received national recognition for exemplary practices in international education, digital media programming, experiential learning, and youth development; the organization has reached more than 100,000 young people through both direct services and peer education activities; and

WHEREAS, Launched in the summer of 2020, Teen Battle Chef was developing during Global Kid's Summer Rising Program and has been since integrated as a club; the program is DYCD-funded through after-school programs at six middle schools across New York City; through this program, participants develop an appreciation for eating healthy and are encouraged to explore new cultures and history through cuisine; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished history, Global Kids has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of Global Kids is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated leadership, past and present, staff, and volunteers, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Global Kids for the organization's efforts to educate, inspire, and mobilize youth to succeed in school, achieve postsecondary success, and take action on critical issues facing their communities and the world; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and 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 Global Kids upon the occasion of hosting its 3rd Annual Teen Battle Chef Challenge on June 6, 2024; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Global Kids.