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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Flushing YMCA upon the occasion of hosting its 13th Annual Community Service Awards Dinner

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize those illustrious organizations within this great State and Nation whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the Flushing YMCA upon the occasion of hosting its 13th Annual Community Service Awards Dinner, to be celebrated on Thursday, November 14, 2013; and

WHEREAS, This special event will be held at Kum Gang San Restaurant located in Flushing, Queens; and

WHEREAS, This year, the Flushing YMCA honorees are: Daniel J. Leone, Executive Director of QPTV (Queens Public Television), Elda Ramratan Community Service Award; and Mr. Ki Chol Kim, President of the National Unification Advisory Council and the 28th President of the Korean American Association, Distinguished Public Leadership Award; and

WHEREAS, Each year the Flushing YMCA hosts an Annual Dinner that supports many youth programs by providing scholarships to youth and families who are unable to pay for activities and services; in 2013, the Flushing YMCA will affect the lives of over 14,000 youth and teens; and

WHEREAS, Through a wide range of programs, including Leaders Club, Youth & Government, Y After School, and entrepreneur programs such as Future Works, the Flushing YMCA is helping to ensure that children and teens develop to their full potential in spirit, mind and body; the YMCA is a place for children to laugh, learn and grow in an environment of caring, safety and support; and

WHEREAS, From cities to suburbs to small towns, YMCAs work to promote youth development, healthy living and social responsibility; 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 the Flushing YMCA upon the occasion of hosting its 13th Annual Community Service Awards Dinner; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Flushing YMCA, and to the aforementioned honorees.