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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Brent Duncan Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. upon the occasion of its Third Annual Brent Duncan Scholarship Award Ceremony and Memorial Service on June 15, 2013

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 who would 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 moved to commend the Brent Duncan Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. upon the occasion of the Third Annual Brent Duncan Scholarship Award Ceremony and Memorial Service, held on Saturday, June 15, 2013, in Canarsie Park, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Brent Duncan was slain by a bullet at the age of 18, on June 19, 2010; and

WHEREAS, An ambitious young man and a model student, Brent Duncan attended Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn, New York, a year early; he was known for his passion to help others, his use of humor to lessen the difficulties of life, and his gentle, respectful spirit; and

WHEREAS, The Brent Duncan Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in this promising young man's honor to help young people achieve the dreams he was denied; and

WHEREAS, The Fund provides college-bound seniors at Medgar Evers Preparatory School scholarships to help ease the burden of college expenses; to date, it has provided six scholarships; and

WHEREAS, The Brent Duncan Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc., plans other activities to keep alive the memory of a young man taken away by

violence; the organization intends to get a street named after Brent Duncan, and wants to establish the Brent D. Duncan Youth Center; 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 the Brent Duncan Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc. upon the occasion of its Third Annual Brent Duncan Scholarship Award Ceremony and Memorial Service; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Brent Duncan Memorial Scholarship Fund, Inc.