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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Friends of Douglass Greene Park upon the occasion of hosting its inaugural awards dinner

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 longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Friends of Douglass Greene Park upon the occasion of hosting its inaugural awards dinner on Saturday, October 5, 2013; and WHEREAS, In addition, this fine event will also be the Friends of Douglass Greene Park's Gowanus Gatsby benefit ceremony; it will also include celebrity hosts, a buffet dinner with open bar, an awards reception with live entertainment, dance instruction, a dance party with live DJs, aerial performers, slide shows of Brooklyn in the 1920s and of Douglass Greene Park and its surroundings; and WHEREAS, There will also be costume and dance competitions, and other

activities reminiscent of the 1920s; Brooklyn Boulders and Homage Brooklyn will have climbing and skateboarding demo areas on ground floor; the benefit will celebrate the completion of Phase I of the park's renovation on its Third Avenue side and highlight the ongoing development of this vital and multifaceted public park located on a full city block between 3rd Avenue and Nevins Street, and Douglass and DeGraw Streets in Gowanus; and

WHEREAS, Douglass Greene Park is used by hundreds of families living in Gowanus, Boerum Hill, Carroll Gardens, and Cobble Hill; the Friends of Douglass Greene Park, a 501(c)(3) organization, works with community and business partners to enhance the quality of life in the area through programming and special activities for all ages, and creates much needed green space; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Friends of Douglass Greene Park upon the occasion of hosting its inaugural awards dinner; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Friends of Douglass Greene Park.