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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Eric Paul upon the occasion of being named New York District Kiwanis Clubs Governor

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to the dedicated efforts of those individuals from across the State of New York who volunteer their time and energies in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Eric Paul upon the occasion of being named New York District Kiwanis Clubs Governor at the 96th Annual District Convention held August 14-18, 2013, at the Rochester Institute of Technology Inn and Convention Center; and WHEREAS, Kiwanis International is active in over 80 countries; helping communities through service projects and raising money for various worthy causes; the all-volunteer organization's umbrella includes Kiwanis Clubs, K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, and Circle K, and Aktion Club for developmentally disabled adults; and

WHEREAS, Eric Paul attained his law degree at the City University of New York School of Law in 1990; since then he has worked at various positions across the state including most recently as Legislative Advocacy Director at the New York State Senate and Director of the Altamont Program; and

WHEREAS, Prior to being elected to this illustrious position, Eric Paul served ably as President of the Kiwanis Club of West Seneca, and later as Lieutenant Governor for the Niagara Frontier-South Division; and

WHEREAS, In accepting this post, Eric Paul is the first Western New Yorker to hold the position of Governor in 16 years; and WHEREAS, Volunteerism is an essential element of all societies; it provides a way in which the human values of community, caring and serving can be sustained and strengthened; and WHEREAS, Eric Paul brings a wealth of leadership ability to this important job volunteering as Chief Executive Officer for the Kiwanis family of organizations in New York State; his experience in government and community outreach, as well as a firm grasp of volunteer management will serve the organization well in its future endeavors; and WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Eric Paul has displayed throughout his career; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals 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 honor Eric Paul upon the occasion of being named New York District Kiwanis Clubs Governor; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Eric Paul.