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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Minerva Solla for almost 30 years of service to 1199 SEIU

WHEREAS, A great state is only as great as those individuals that perform exemplary service on behalf of their communities; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend Minerva Solla upon the occasion of her retirement from 1199 SEIU; and

WHEREAS, Since the late 1960s when Minerva Solla became an organizer for Young Lords in New York City, she has remained committed to helping working people discover their own power in struggles for justice, dignity and human rights; and

WHEREAS, In 1972, Minerva Solla, then a staff member at Roosevelt Hospital, helped her co-workers organize and win union representation through 1199 SEIU;

WHEREAS, Minerva Solla's impressive energy, skill and passion have led her to emerge as a union delegate, strike captain, and organizer, eventually rising to become 1199 SEIU's Vice President and Lead Organizer; and

WHEREAS, Minerva Solla's countless victories have helped thousands of workers organize include those at Our Lady of Mercy Hospital, Edwin Gould Academy, Good Samaritan Hospital, and St. Francis Hospital; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend those individuals for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Minerva Solla for almost 30 years of service to 1199 SEIU; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to Minerva Solla.