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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Marie Bernard upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Work of Salvation Ministries, March 8, 2014

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Marie Bernard has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Marie Bernard upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Work of Salvation Ministries, celebrated on Saturday, March 8, 2014, at the Gateway World Christian Center, Valley Stream, New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Marie Bernard has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Born on March 8, 1944, in Port-De-Paix, Haiti, Dr. Marie Bernard migrated to the United States in 1972; for the past 20 years, she has worked in different ministerial and leadership capacities; and

WHEREAS, A resident in New York State for over 30 years Dr. Marie Bernard has worked as a nurse, counselor, health educator teacher in the classroom setting; after over 25 years of working as a nurse, counselor, educator, with people of diverse ethnic and economic backgrounds, guiding and supporting them to cope with various family problems and life challenges, her work took her all over the country and participated in seminars in Albany, the Caribbean, and Canada; and

WHEREAS, In 1995, Dr. Marie Bernard established The Work of Salvation Ministries in Queens Village, New York, and is dedicated to reaching and

changing lives within her community; she also provides leadership to the ministry chaplaincy Christian board, and is actively involved with the homeless food pantry outreach evangelism home prayer and street ministry throughout the United States and foreign countries; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Dr. Marie Bernard has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Marie Bernard has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Marie Bernard upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Work of Salvation Ministries, March 8, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Marie Bernard.