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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Ambassador for Christ International Outreach Ministry and Gateway Christian Center on Sunday, May 4, 2014

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State are nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Ambassador For Christ International Outreach Ministry and Gateway Christian Center at its 4th Annual Pastors and Women of Distinction Appreciation Awards Gala on Sunday, May 4, 2014, at Floral Terrace, Floral Park, New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe is being recognized for her exemplary work and commitment to her community, which serves to empower others; and

WHEREAS, Born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe was raised in a Christian family with four brothers and four sisters; she graduated from Catt's Pressoir in Haiti with a Baccalaureate 2nd in 1971; and

WHEREAS, In June of 1971, Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe came to New York, and two years later was enrolled at LaGuardia Community College where she graduated with a Liberal Arts degree; she continued her education at

Pace University to study Nursing, as well as Vermont College where she obtained her Master's degree in School Psychology; and WHEREAS, With a true passion for helping others, Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe worked with intellectually disabled individuals and children with autism; during this time, inclined by research, she decided to enroll in a Ph.D. program in Clinical Psychology at Walden University; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, two years later she was enrolled in the Certificate Advanced Graduate Studies (CAGS) in Clinical Psychology at Union Institute & University; Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe holds a New York State license in Mental Health Counselor (LMHC) and a New York Certification in School Psychology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe has been in ministry for 17 years and is a Licensed Ordained Chaplain; in this capacity, she travels throughout the United States and administers spiritual seminars and conferences in churches and Christian centers; her fluency in Creole, French and English allows her to communicate the Word to a large population; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Ambassador For Christ International Outreach Ministry and Gateway Christian Center on Sunday, May 4, 2014, noting her unremitting and compassionate faith and her exemplary service to God, man, and her community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Evelyne A. Philippe.