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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Camesha Grant 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, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, A great community is only as great as those persons who provide exemplary service, whether through participation in voluntary programs, through unique personal achievement in their profession or other endeavors, or simply through a lifetime of good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Camesha Grant 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. Camesha Grant is being recognized for her exemplary work and commitment to her community, which serves to empower others; and

WHEREAS, Director of Member Services with Food Bank for New York City, Dr. Camesha Grant is responsible for ensuring programs including soup kitchens, pantries, schools, shelters, and senior centers, have the capacity and resources needed to address the hunger crisis in New York City; and

WHEREAS, In addition to food distribution, Dr. Camesha Grant plays a key role in supporting Food Bank for New York City members with income support, capacity building, nutrition education and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, With more than two decades of experience in the social

services arena, Dr. Camesha Grant spent more than 17 years with the New York City Administration for Children's Services (ACS) and is truly passionate about her work with the city's most vulnerable population; and

WHEREAS, A leader, educator, mentor and a community advocate with a mission driven purpose of creating opportunities for the underserved, Dr. Camesha Grant held various positions during her tenure with ACS; most notably, she served as Director of an evaluation system promoting quality case practice and successful outcomes for children and families involved in the child welfare system; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Camesha Grant holds a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors from Virginia State University; she earned a Master's of Social Work degree as well as a Ph.D. in Social Work with a concentration in Children and Families from Fordham University, where she was a Council on Social Work Education fellow; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Dr. Camesha Grant is a Licensed Master Social Worker and has served as an adjunct professor at Fordham University in the Graduate School of Social Service since 2007; 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. Camesha Grant 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. Camesha Grant.