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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Kew Gardens Civic Association upon the occasion of celebrating its 100th Anniversary on May 1, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Kew Gardens Civic Association upon the occasion of its 100th Anniversary, to be celebrated on Thursday, May 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, A neighborhood organization which has contributed much to the progress of its community, the Kew Gardens Civic Association was founded in March of 1914, at the home of section resident, Mr. Cook; and

WHEREAS, At its inaugural meeting, the Kew Gardens Civic Association elected its first president, W.C. Cuntz, and first secretary treasurer, R. Lawrence; and

WHEREAS, Regular meetings were soon held at the Richmond Hill (Union Hall) Club which would ultimately give way to the Kew Gardens Country Club; the Kew Gardens Country Club has always generously allowed the association to hold its meetings on their premises; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to serving its community, the Kew Gardens Civic Association formed an executive committee and four separate standing committees; these included: sewer and light, streets and water, transportation, and schools; and

WHEREAS, The first notable achievement of the Kew Gardens Civic Association was placing the Kew Gardens electrical lighting system underground, a difficult project which was solely attributable to the organ-

ization's efforts; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, this esteemed organization has continued to display a strong commitment to maintaining the beauty and character of community life in Kew Gardens; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Kew Gardens Civic Association works closely with local leaders, businesses and developers to preserve the traditions that make this neighborhood such a wonderful place to live; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when an organization of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention, it should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Kew Gardens Civic Association upon the occasion of celebrating its 100th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Kew Gardens Civic Association.