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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Reverend Dr. Marie S. Innocent 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 Reverend Dr. Marie S. Innocent 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, Reverend Dr. Marie S. Innocent is being recognized for her exemplary work and commitment to her community, which serves to empower others; and

WHEREAS, Born in Haiti in 1960, Marie became a Deacon in 1988, after emigrating to the United States of America in July of 1979; today, she is an active member of the NAACP and the LI-CAN; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Marie S. Innocent earned a bachelor's degree in teaching; she started bible school in 1994 at the New York City Full Gospel Theological Seminary; she also earned her doctorate and went on to obtain a certificate from Olford Ministries International Calvary

Baptist Church for artistry, biblical preaching and teaching in 2001;

and

WHEREAS, The proud mother of four children, and the loving grandmother of three grandchildren, Reverend Dr. Marie S. Innocent, a licensed L.P.N., started her own ministry in 2005, the Church of Evangelism for All Nations in Farmingdale, New York; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice 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 Reverend Dr. Marie S. Innocent 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 Reverend Dr. Marie S. Innocent.