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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring The Nissan Foundation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Corporate Recognition Award by the Jewish Children's Museum on April 7, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those corporate enterprises throughout the State of New York which have substantially contributed to the economic vitality of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor The Nissan Foundation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Corporate Recognition Award by the Jewish Children's Museum, celebrated at its 9th Annual Gala Dinner on Monday, April 7, 2014, in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Nissan Foundation was created in 1992 as a thoughtful response to a societal need; following the civil unrest that occurred in Los Angeles earlier the same year, Nissan established the Foundation with a substantial endowment to meet the needs of communities making up South Los Angeles, and to foster a greater appreciation for cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 20 years, The Nissan Foundation has disbursed significant contributions to more than 100 nonprofit organizations throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, In 2013 Nissan awarded large grants to support educational programs which fostered a greater appreciation and understanding of America's diverse cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, located in California, Georgia, Michigan, Mississippi, New York, Tennessee and Texas, the 29 nonprofit organizations offered programs such as anti-prejudice training courses, cultural

heritage museum programming and initiatives that engaged students with world cultures through arts, sports or performance; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals and organizations it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges The Nissan Foundation's contributions to the local and State economies, and extends its highest commendation to this corporate enterprise, fully confident that it will continue to enjoy the sparkling success it has enjoyed thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor The Nissan Foundation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Corporate Recognition Award by the Jewish Children's Museum on April 7, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Nissan Foundation.