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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Anella A. Tummings upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Woman of Valor Award on May 22, 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Anella A. Tummings upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Woman of Valor Award, to be celebrated at the 7th Annual Men of Distinction and Women of Valor Awards Ceremony on May 22, 2014; and WHEREAS, The Men of Distinction and Women of Valor Awards Ceremony is held each year to recognize and pay just tribute to outstanding and accomplished individuals whose leadership roles have had a significant impact on the daily lives of the people of the State of New York, and who have gone above and beyond the call of duty; and WHEREAS, Anella A. Tummings of Queens, New York, was born in Jamaica, and migrated to the United Sates at the age of 14; and WHEREAS, Sixteen years ago, Anella A. Tummings joined the New York City Housing Authority, which is the largest public housing authority in the nation, providing decent and affordable housing for more than 620,000 New Yorkers to low and moderate income families; and WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure at the New York City Housing Authority, Anella A. Tummings held increasingly responsible positions; currently, she serves as Executive Assistant to the Executive Vice President of Administration, bringing a high level of customer service to her office; and

WHEREAS, For the previous five-year period, she was a liaison between New York City Housing Authority, federal, state, and local elected officials, government agencies, public housing residents, advocacy groups,

and other stake holders; and

WHEREAS, Anella A. Tummings holds a bachelor's degree in hospitality management-travel and tourism from New York College of Technology; she has applied her education, training, and knowledge to deliver excellent customer service in assisting elected officials with constituent issues and concerns, and bringing them to resolution; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Anella A. Tummings has been able to share her knowledge and understanding of public and subsidized housing to empower customers and stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, Anella A. Tummings has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; she has volunteered at numerous functions for former Mayor Michael Bloomberg, most notably at Gracie Mansion, and has participated in the International Tourism Event held in New York in 2005; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, and their two sons, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Anella A. Tummings upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Woman of Valor Award on May 22, 2014; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anella A. Tummings.