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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Queens Botanical Garden upon the occasion of hosting its 19th Annual Rose Gala on June 12, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and intent is to promote conservation education and to encourage the appreciation and understanding of the environment as a whole; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Queens Botanical Garden upon the occasion of hosting its 19th Annual Rose Gala commemorating the 1939 and 1964 World's Fairs to be celebrated on Thursday, June 12, 2014; and

WHEREAS, This year, the Queens Botanical Garden will pay special recognition to its 2014 Gala Honorees for their long-standing support and commitment to not only the Garden but to the entire Queens community; the honorees include: Cord Meyer Development and George S. Meyer and the Meyer Family; and

WHEREAS, The Queens Botanical Garden is an urban oasis where people, plants and cultures are celebrated through inspiring gardens, innovative educational programs and demonstrations of environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, During the school year, workshops are presented to more than 17,000 school children through class visits to the Garden; the gardens are naturally the main reason visitors come to the Queens Botanical Garden, and its horticulture staff works devotedly to maintain and improve the plant displays; and

WHEREAS, Collections include a Fragrance Walk, Green Roof, Pinctum, Bee Garden, plus Woodland and Wetland Gardens and an Herb Garden; its Rose Garden is a constant delight to visitors, as is the new Parking Garden which is an innovative space with native plants, permeable pavers

and other features that manage storm water onsite and help to offset urban heat-island effect; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Queens Botanical Garden is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the Garden and the population it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those organizations which enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards, 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 commend the Queens Botanical Garden upon the occasion of hosting its 19th Annual Rose Gala commemorating the 1939 and 1964 World's Fairs to be held on June 12, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Queens Botanical Garden.