

## 2015-J1104

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of The Passing it On Award by the Brooklyn Arts Exchange Arts and Artists in Progress

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to honor and recognize those organizations whose commitment and creative talents contribute to the cultural enrichment of their communities and of the entire State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of The Passing it On Award, to be celebrated at the 14th Annual Brooklyn Arts Exchange Arts and Artists in Progress Awards Ceremony, on Saturday, March 28, 2015, at the Brooklyn Arts Exchange Building, Park Slope, Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, The Brooklyn Arts Exchange (BAX) Arts and Artists in Progress awards recognize individuals and organizations in the arts who have revealed and transformed their creative works; by instigating change, they have deepened the definition of their field and paved the way for others; and

WHEREAS, These distinguished awards are given to some of the most talented, generous, creative, and inventive persons in New York City dance, theater or performance; each awardee is then asked to Pass it On, honoring a colleague who demonstrates the same qualities for which they, themselves, were chosen; and

WHEREAS, The Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board received The Passing it On award from Fabian "Farbeon" Saucedo, who was the recipient of the auspicious Arts Educator Award by BAX; and

WHEREAS, The Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board is a New York

City-based community-arts organization which is at the forefront of global Hip Hop Education and youth empowerment; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board use hip hop culture to inspire and transform communities, engage marginalized and disaffected youth, and improve youth motivation and achievement; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the participants of the Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board are committed to critical pedagogy and the creative process as realized through the hip hop elements; this vital organization prepared the next generation of ARTivists to push the envelope artistically, and to use creative efforts to advocate for change in their own lives, as well as their community; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those organizations which add strength, vigor and inspiration to the cultural diversity and quality of life in the communities of the State of New York; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board upon the occasion of their designation as recipient of The Passing it On Award by the Brooklyn Arts Exchange Arts and Artists in Progress; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Hip Hop Re:Education Project Youth Board.