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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Omyma David upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Caribbean Woman of the Year Award by the Neighborhood Technical Assistance Clinic

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Omyma David upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Caribbean Woman of the Year Award by the Neighborhood Technical Assistance Clinic, to be celebrated at its 8th Annual Gala, on Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at Giando on the Water, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The 2015 Gala is entitled "A Salute to New York City's Nonprofits and the Neighborhoods They Serve: Promoting Wellness and Health Neighborhoods", which will bring together the city's Borough Presidents as Honorary Chairs, as well as nonprofit organizations, funders and supporters; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1998, the Neighborhood Technical Assistance Clinic (NTAC) strengthens partnerships between communities and philanthropies; its services build the capacity of New York City community-based and faith-based organizations serving low income and service-deprived neighborhoods through ongoing assessments which identify human, financial and other necessary resources; and

WHEREAS, NTAC's services include Funding and Grantmaking Assistance, Project Assistance and Consultation, Board Strategy and Consultation, Meet the Grantmakers, Grant Writing 101, Marketing Outreach and Special

Events, Staff/Volunteer Training, Speakers and Trainers, and Continuing Education; and

WHEREAS, Omyma David earned her Bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of the Virgin Islands-St. Thomas Campus, and then went on to receive her Master's degree in Counseling Psychology from the Caribbean Graduate School of Theology, Kingston, Jamaica; and

WHEREAS, Omyma David furthered her education by obtaining both a Master of Education in Psychological Counseling and a Master's degree in Organizational Psychology from Teacher's College, Columbia University, New York City; in addition, she is presently completing her dissertation towards her Ph.D. in Psychology; and

WHEREAS, Prior to moving to New York City, Omyma David was employed within the education system in Antigua and Barbuda; she held the position of Teacher and then High School Counselor at the Clare Hall Secondary School, the Antigua Girls' High School and the Antigua Grammar School; and

WHEREAS, Upon her arrival to the United States, Omyma David worked as a Special Education Teacher within New York City; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, Omyma David began serving as the Deputy Consul General at the Consulate General of Antigua and Barbuda in New York City, a position she held for almost 10 years; during this time, she was appointed manager of administration by the United States Department of State; and

WHEREAS, From 2012-2014, Omyma David performed the duties of Consul General for Antigua and Barbuda while simultaneously serving in her substantive capacity as Deputy Consul General; in addition, she held the title of Chair of the New York CARICOM Consular Corps; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure at the Antigua and Barbuda Consulate, Omyma David served her country and its people with distinction, impeccable integrity and efficiency; she also assisted the wider Caribbean American community in several capacities including Chair of the Annual

Caribbean Health Fair; and

WHEREAS, Omya David has been a Keynote Speaker at several events such as the Brooklyn Borough President's Annual Caribbean American Heritage Month Breakfast and the Inaugural Caribbean American Healthcare Awards Gala; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 Omya David upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Caribbean Woman of the Year Award by the Neighborhood Technical Assistance Clinic; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Omya David.