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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Ballet Tech upon the occasion of hosting its Opening Night of Kids Dance on Thursday, June 11, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to call attention to individuals and organizations that devote their time and energies to the cultural enrichment of the Empire State; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the dedication and commitment of our young people who distinguish themselves through excellence in the performance of dance; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Ballet Tech upon the occasion of hosting its Opening Night of Kids Dance on Thursday, June 11, 2015 at the Joyce Theater in New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Tech is a New York City public school offering its students a quality academic education and intensive and rigorous ballet training designed to develop professional dancers; and WHEREAS, This remarkable academic institution provides training and dance clothes to students in grades four through eight entirely free of charge; unlike any other ballet school, the only criterion for enrollment is innate ability; and

WHEREAS, Ballet Tech's Opening Night of Kids Dance will feature a fabulous repertory from Eliot Feld, and includes the premiere of "A Yankee Doodle," as well as exceptional dancing from the impeccably trained student body; and

WHEREAS, The arts, in whatever form depicted, are central to human expression; they are truly a universal language and their contribution to the development of friendship and understanding among all peoples cannot be underestimated; and

WHEREAS, The study of dance is most worthy of being encouraged and promoted, as it provides an opportunity for students to exhibit their skills to an audience, thereby giving them self-esteem to last a lifetime; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Ballet Tech upon the occasion of hosting its Opening Night of Kids Dance on Thursday, June 11, 2015; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ballet Tech, New York, New York.