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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Bishop Harrison Hale for 26 years of extraordinary service to the Cornerstone Church of God in Christ of Medford, New York, on January 24, 2016

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Bishop Harrison Hale for 26 years of extraordinary service to the Cornerstone Church of God in Christ of Medford, New York, celebrated on Sunday, January 24, 2016; and

WHEREAS, On January 27, 1990, Elder Harrison Hale accepted his Pastoral calling and opened Cornerstone Church Of God In Christ; throughout his 21 year tenure, he built three churches: Cornerstone Headquarters, Cornerstone Evangelist Temple Church Of God In Christ, and Cornerstone Glorious Temple; and

WHEREAS, Through the vision of Bishop Harrison Hale, several ministries and programs have been established at the Cornerstone Church of God in Christ, including Cornerstone Kiddie Kollege Day Care, Advantage After School Program, Television Ministry (2 Local Cable Television Programs), Macedonia Mission Project, The Gospel Power and Cornerstone TV, Local BET Commercial, News 12 Commercials, Cornerstone Newsletter, and Cornerstone Cares (Feeding the Hungry), as well as, Children Recreational Study and Training; and

WHEREAS, Other vital ministries and programs include the Food Pantry and Clothing Ministry, Vocational School and Summer Camp, Harrison Hale Scholarship Fund, Annual Feed The Children Project with Larry Jones, Brother's Rehabilitation Program (Support Group), Harrison Hale Humanitarian Award, Empowerment Program, Department of Labor SWEP Program, the Bicycle Drive, Vocational School and Summer Camp and the Community Cafe and soon to come Cornerstone Diamond Cathedral Christian Culture Center, and the Harrison Hale Home of the Brave (Housing for homeless veterans), as well as the release of the Cornerstone Praise Team 1st CD titled "Bodacious Praise"; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Harrison Hale has brought to his ministry an overwhelming spirit of charity and compassion, acting from vision and enlightenment in conducting his administrative and spiritual duties, while always displaying the highest standards of personal and professional integrity and dedication; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished man of God has always given enlightenment, guidance and wisdom to the many entrusted to his care and has administered abundantly and unstintingly to the spiritual and corporal needs of all; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Bishop Harrison Hale for 26 years of extraordinary service to the Cornerstone Church of God in Christ of Medford, New York, noting his unremitting and compassionate faith and his exemplary service to God, man, and his community, and extending to him the heartfelt best wishes

of this Legislative Body for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to Bishop Harrison Hale.