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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Stephanie Delia, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the National Action Network, West Nassau Chapter, on April 17, 2016

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Delia has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Stephanie Delia, Esg. upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the National Action Network, West Nassau Chapter, to be celebrated at its 3rd Annual Women's Prestigious Gala Awards Dinner held on Sunday, April 17, 2016, at Chateau Briand Caterers in Carle Place, New York; and WHEREAS, The National Action Network's Annual Women's Prestigious Gala Awards Dinner recognizes outstanding individuals who demonstrate excellence in their work, service and commitment to the Jewish, Nigerian, Caribbean, Spanish, Haitian and American communities; and WHEREAS, The West Nassau Chapter, under the able leadership of District Chairperson, Pastor Emmanuel Asse, continues the mission of NAN which fulfills a vital role in moving our Nation forward; and WHEREAS, Stephanie Delia immigrated to the United States with her parents when she was seven years old, and has made New York State her home ever since; she became a United States citizen at an early age, yet she has never forgotten her roots; and

WHEREAS, After earning a Bachelor of Arts degree from John Jay College of Criminal Justice and her Juris Doctor from Thomas Cooley Law School, Stephanie Delia has become a well-respected immigration attorney prac-

ticing in the five boroughs of New York City; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Delia's private practice, Delia Advocates, LLP, is located in the financial district of New York City; she works with CUNY Citizenship Now, one of the largest nonprofit immigration organizations in the country, providing free immigration services in low-income communities throughout the tri-state area; and

WHEREAS, Knowledgeable in all areas of immigration law and passionately advocating on behalf of her clients, Stephanie Delia's expertise lies in finding and using obscure laws and cases to find relief for her clients where her predecessors had failed; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Delia has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Active in her community, Stephanie Delia has given immigration presentations at colleges and nonprofit organizations, including the National Action Network; in addition, she has coordinated and participated in several Temporary Protected Status and Naturalization Pro Bono document assistance events as well as serving as Chief of Staff and Counselor to the National Action Network, West Nassau Chapter; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Stephanie Delia has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Stephanie Delia has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our atten-

tion, 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 commend Stephanie Delia, Esq. upon the occasion of her designation for

special recognition by the National Action Network, West Nassau Chapter; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Stephanie Delia, Esq.