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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Miss Barbara's School of Dance in Buffalo, New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor and pay tribute to those organizations whose commitment and creative talents contribute to the cultural enrichment and entertainment of their community and 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 commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Miss Barbara's School of Dance in Buffalo, New York: and

WHEREAS, Miss Barbara's School of Dance is the longest running African-American owned and operated dance school in the city of Buffalo's history; Barbara D. Glover, owner and director, is a living institution whose name is synonymous with dance and excellence; and WHEREAS, Born in Buffalo, New York, Barbara D. Glover has taught, staged, choreographed, directed and produced shows for numerous civic, church and community organizations; she has positively impacted the lives of countless young people who have used her instructions in the art of dance, charm, grace and patience as a basis for their own personal achievement; and

WHEREAS, Miss Barbara's School of Dance was established in 1966, in what was then the Humboldt Branch YMCA; with enrollment continually increasing through the years, the school moved to several locations throughout the local community, settling at its current location on Main Street in December of 2009; and

WHEREAS, This vital institution offers dance training for children and adults and welcomes students of all ethnic backgrounds; classes are offered in tap, jazz, African, gymnastics and hip hop; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and accolades, Miss Barbara's School of Dance was selected in 2002 to perform for Magic Music Days at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida; in addition, the school is a member of Buffalo Niagara Partnership and Dance Masters of America, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Miss Barbara's School of Dance continues to serve, educate, train and strengthen the character of its students; the school ignites dancers' potential one step at a time and gives them opportunities to grow and develop; and

WHEREAS, The success of Miss Barbara's School of Dance is in direct correlation to the efforts of its owner, Barbara D. Glover, as well as its instructors, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Miss Barbara's School of Dance; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Miss Barbara's School of Dance; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Barbara D. Glover, Owner, Miss Barbara's School of Dance, Buffalo, New York.