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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating The Reverend Kilpatrick and Minister Sophia Cohell upon the occasion of celebrating their 20th Pastoral Anniversary at Lenox Road Baptist Church on July 3, 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 practice 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 congratulate The Reverend Kilpatrick and Minister Sophia Cohall upon the occasion of celebrating their 20th Pastoral Anniversary at Lenox Road Baptist Church on July 3, 2016, and for their many years of faithful service proclaiming God's mandate for His people; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Kilpatrick and Minister Sophia Cohall have ably lead the community of the Lenox Road Baptist Church for many years, serving as a guiding light for its parishioners through their sermons and tutelage; and

WHEREAS, Under this esteemed couple's luminous direction, Lenox Road Baptist Church has grown spiritually and the members of the congregation have truly benefitted from their profound knowledge and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Kilpatrick and Minister Sophia Cohall now stand on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades while retaining that spiritual resolve which characterizes their past; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those religious

leaders who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 congratulate The Reverend Kilpatrick and Minister Sophia Cohall upon the occasion of celebrating their 20th Pastoral Anniversary at Lenox Road Baptist Church on July 3, 2016, fully confident that this celebration reflects the belief in those values which enhance the dignity and purpose of life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Reverend Kilpatrick and Minister Sophia Cohall.