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Senate Resolution No. 1942

BY: Senator MONTGOMERY

HONORING Adrainer Coleman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Professional Award by The Brooklyn Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. on April 29, 2017

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals and organizations it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Adrainer Coleman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Community Service Award by The Brooklyn Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. to be celebrated at its 50th Annual Founders' Day Observance Luncheon on Saturday, April 29, 2017, at Gargiulos Restaurant in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The theme for this auspicious occasion is entitled "72 Years of L.E.T.S. - Leaders Exemplary Timeless Service; Marching forward with a purpose"; each year, The Brooklyn Club acknowledges its Founders; "the shoulders on which we stand and the role and responsibility we have to prepare our young people for the future"; and

WHEREAS, The Brooklyn Club is a chapter of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. (NANBPWC, Inc.), which provides opportunities for women to increase their leadership skills, experience governance and parliamentary procedures, and enhance their educational awareness of issues impacting the black community through volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, Adrainer Coleman is receiving this prestigious award for her steadfast and unremitting commitment to Local 372; and

WHEREAS, Through her parents, Washington and Kate Coleman, Adrainer Coleman always worked hard and each and every day, strived to do the best she could; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, Adrainer Coleman began serving as a school lunch helper; after leaving to have her first child, she returned to work as a UFT Paraprofessional; several years later, she was hired as a Local 372 Family Paraprofessional; and

WHEREAS, Adrainer Coleman has always gravitated to public service-oriented jobs, including work at the Queens District Attorney's office, the Department of Environmental Protection and the New York City Summer Youth Employment Program, as well as the Board of Elections; currently, she holds the position of Vice-Chair of Community Board 16, and is a vital member of its Land Use Committee; and

WHEREAS, Her career, however, took a significant turn in 2009, when she earned her bachelor's degree in Psychology from the College of New Rochelle; shortly thereafter, Adrainer Coleman was hired as a Grievance Representative for Local 372; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Adrainer Coleman is responsible for assisting union members at their grievance hearings and investigations, and advocating with school management to resolve issues and concerns which impact her union members; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Adrainer Coleman organizes and conducts Union meetings in her two Brooklyn School Districts so that her membership can keep abreast of union activities, events and important day to day issues; and

WHEREAS, A true public servant, Adrainer Coleman continues her community service as a participant of the Powerful Praise Tabernacle Missionary Ministry Board which provides outreach programs and spiritual assistance to promote a healthy and spiritual community; members of the Board help distribute food and clothes from its pantry, visit sick people in hospitals, and pray with their neighbors; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her three children, Monique, Gary and Trenell, all of whom have shown her love and support and rejoice in her many achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 honor Adrainer Coleman upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Professional Award by The Brooklyn Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Adrainer Coleman.