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Senate Resolution No. 2064

BY: Senator BAILEY

COMMEMORATING May 11-21, 2017, as Bronx Week

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, in keeping with its time-honored traditions, to recognize and pay tribute to those events which foster community pride and enhance the profile of cultural diversity which strengthens the fabric of the communities of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate May 11-21, 2017, as Bronx Week, in observance of the Bronx renaissance; and

WHEREAS, Bronx Week is the ideal time to remind all New Yorkers that The Bronx is a great place to live, to work, and to play; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by dozens of local businesses, educational institutions and not-for-profit organizations, many activities have been planned for the 48th Annual Bronx Week to pay tribute to the progress and success of Bronx people, businesses, educational and cultural institutions, and civic groups; and

WHEREAS, Highlights of Bronx Week 2017, which is produced by The Bronx Tourism Council, include a Labor Breakfast, free tours aboard the

Bronx trolley; many outdoor performances; The Bronx Health Link's Health Expo; a salute to Community Education Council volunteers; gatherings of the business and nonprofit communities; art exhibits and more; and

WHEREAS, The Bronx Week celebration builds to fever pitch at the grand finale on Sunday, May 21, 2017, when the borough welcomes home some of its most accomplished sons and daughters to be inducted to the Bronx Walk of Fame to be held on the Grand Concourse; and

WHEREAS, Then the celebration moves to Mosholu Parkway, where the Bronx Week Parade kicks off with thousands of marchers, bands and floats displaying their borough pride; immediately following the parade, the Music, Food and Arts Festival delights the senses with food samples from some of the borough's most popular restaurants; arts and crafts by Bronx artists; and a live concert reflecting some of the borough's rich ethnic heritage; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when events of noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, such as Bronx Week, 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 commemorate May 11-21, 2017, as Bronx Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ruben Diaz, Jr., Bronx Borough President.