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Senate Resolution No. 3254

BY: Senator MONTGOMERY

COMMENDING Leslie G. Schultz upon the occasion of stepping down after 12 years of distinguished service as President of BRIC

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; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Leslie G. Schultz upon the occasion of stepping down after 12 years of distinguished service as President of BRIC; she will officially step down on Monday, June 25, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The leading provider of free cultural programming in Brooklyn, New York, BRIC presents programs in contemporary art, performing arts, and video that reflect the creativity and diversity of its community; the organization also advances and nurtures emerging voices and works-in-progress by local artists and media makers; and

WHEREAS, As President of BRIC for more than a decade, Leslie G. Schultz has been instrumental in redirecting the organization to promote

access to arts and media for all, to provide meaningful support for artists and media-makers who truly reflect the diversity of New York City, and to amplify Brooklyn voices and Brooklyn stories; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Leslie G. Schultz, BRIC has vastly expanded its programming, education initiatives and community engagement work; she is also credited with the successful building of its award-winning permanent home in Downtown Brooklyn, BRIC Arts Media House; and

WHEREAS, This main venue, a 40,000-square-foot arts and media complex, brings all of BRIC's year-round programs together under one roof and attracts more than 100,000 visitors each day; and

WHEREAS, For the past 12 years, Leslie G. Schultz rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to BRIC, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as President, Leslie G. Schultz served with loyalty, honor and distinction, and was governed by a keen sense of duty, always showing a unique grasp of human problems in her official acts; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, leadership, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Leslie G. Schultz over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Leslie G. Schultz upon the occasion of stepping down after 12 years of distinguished service as President of BRIC; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leslie G. Schultz.