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Senate Resolution No. 4041

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York upon the occasion of hosting its 2018 Junior 100/Pathways to Success Program

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, in keeping with its time-honored traditions, to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations which foster ethnic 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 commend One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York, upon the occasion of hosting its 2018 Junior 100/Pathways to Success Program; and

WHEREAS, One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York began in New York City as an organization of like-minded business, political and community leaders which convened to capitalize on the collective power of the community to address issues of concern, inequities, and choosing to empower African Americans to be agents of change in their own communities; and

WHEREAS, True to its mission, One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York has played an active role in the African American community by providing scholarships, educational support, economic empowerment, mentoring, and health and wellness initiatives; and

WHEREAS, One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York also seeks to provide leadership in the African American community through engaged partnerships, educational institutions, and philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, This year, One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York is proud to sponsor the 2018 Junior 100/Pathways to Success Program from January of 2018 through May of 2018, at both Pace University and TD Bank; the free program addresses deficiencies in basic business competencies for students interested in the corporate workplace and/or entrepreneurial marketplace; and

WHEREAS, This 17-week program gives students the opportunities to explore various topics such as entrepreneurship, small business, global economics, and market research; and

WHEREAS, This intensive course has proven to be an effective tool for today's youth; 98% of the participants received paid internships or job shadowing stipends, 100% of seniors graduated and are currently attending college, all seniors received full or partial scholarships, and seniors received over \$804,000 worth of college scholarships; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor those organizations and individuals of significance who add strength, vigor, and inspiration to the ethnic diversity and quality of life in the communities of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York upon the occasion of hosting its 2018 Junior 100/Pathways to Success Program; and be it

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York.