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Senate Resolution No. 4383

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING FACE Africa upon the occasion of hosting its Ninth Annual Wash Gala on March 31, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to call attention to those events which serve to enhance the cultural enrichment and preserve the heritage of Africa; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend FACE Africa upon the occasion of hosting its Ninth Annual Wash Gala "A Night Celebrating African Excellence" to be held at The Current at Chelsea Piers, New York, New York, on Saturday, March 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The FACE Africa WASH Gala is held annually in New York City to raise awareness and funds for clean water projects; in addition, it is a celebration of Africans and Friends of Africa making a difference in their respective industries and communities; and

WHEREAS, This year, FACE Africa's goal is to raise \$500,000 to provide Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) programs and facilities to communities in rural Liberia and Nigeria; and

WHEREAS, The theme for this year's gala "Water Fuels the Future" is more than a statement, it is the recognition that the availability of

clean drinking water is a prerequisite to achieving all of the other development indicators like health, education, gender equality, growth, community commerce, agriculture, and self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, 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 commend FACE Africa upon the occasion of hosting its Ninth Annual Wash Gala on March 31, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to FACE Africa.