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Senate Resolution No. 4822

BY: Senator PARKER

CELEBRATING the Third Annual POWER ON THE RISE
Brunch on April 21, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to celebrate the Third Annual POWER ON THE RISE Brunch on Saturday, April 21, 2018, at St. Paul's Church in Flatbush, organized and hosted by the Flatbush Tenant Coalition; and

WHEREAS, The Flatbush Development Corporation (FDC), the parent company of the Flatbush Tenant Coalition (FTC), was formed in 1975 by a group of homeowners and tenants who were concerned about growing signs of deterioration in the neighborhood; the group organized tenants in apartment buildings to combat poor conditions and prevent arson and abandonment and worked with merchants on the neighborhood's commercial strips; and

WHEREAS, FDC's mission is to enhance the quality of life for all

segments of the Flatbush community; it identifies and responds to neighborhood needs and concerns, proactively creating programs and campaigns that work towards a healthy, safe and vibrant community; its economic development, housing, youth, and immigration programs serve the exceptionally diverse needs of its community; and

WHEREAS, The FDC works with tenant associations, including the Flatbush Tenant Coalition, and individuals to resolve disputes with landlords and encourage improved building conditions and safety; and

WHEREAS, Currently, the Flatbush Tenant Coalition represents approximately 19,000 tenants; the group's work includes improving housing conditions, educating tenants about their rights, advising tenants where to turn for assistance and providing youth services; and

WHEREAS, The FTC brings tenant neighbors together for the Annual Power on the Rise Brunch to enjoy music, to hear from community leaders, to honor coalition members who have passed away in the previous year, and pay tribute to those individuals who dedicate their time and effort to their community; 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 the Flatbush Tenant Coalition upon the occasion of hosting its

Third Annual POWER ON THE RISE Brunch on April 21, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Flatbush Tenant Coalition.