

## 2017-J5079

Senate Resolution No. 5079

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce upon the occasion of hosting BROOKLYN DESIGNS on May 12, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those events of artistic significance which highlight the creative talents that have contributed to the cultural enrichment of our communities and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce upon the occasion of hosting BROOKLYN DESIGNS on Saturday, May 12, 2018, at the Brooklyn Museum; and

WHEREAS, BROOKLYN DESIGNS is Brooklyn's premier design event showcasing a cross section of design, architecture and art; and

WHEREAS, Founded by the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce in 2003, BROOKLYN DESIGNS was one of the first design fairs to shine a spotlight on the creative economy in Brooklyn; it also serves as an incubator for emerging designers and a platform for established brands, producing a range of creative products across furniture, lighting, tableware, art, textiles and jewelry; and

WHEREAS, Demonstrating the collaborative spirit of design, BROOKLYN DESIGNS features inspiring collective exhibits, pop-up lounges, installations, hands-on demos and a diverse conference program; in addition, the show displays an exciting array of products, including many that have received Brooklyn-Made certification by the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, BROOKLYN DESIGNS also features cafes and bars from Brooklyn's beloved vendors as well as family-friendly programming throughout the weekend; and

WHEREAS, This year's edition of BROOKLYN DESIGNS is an impactful event on many levels; the venue connects Brooklyn Museum's deep history with design and decorative arts, to the rich design community that has developed, grown, and employed countless people in the borough; and

WHEREAS, The show takes place in conjunction with the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce's year of Centennial programming, and will also serve as a farewell celebration for the Chamber's outgoing President and CEO Andrew Hoan who has been with the Chamber since November of 2012; and

WHEREAS, Shows like BROOKLYN DESIGNS are vital to promoting the borough's designers, manufacturers and architects; and

WHEREAS, It is most fitting that we take time to celebrate the arts of our Nation, to honor our artists, and to express our appreciation to everyone who patronizes the arts; as we celebrate the arts, we celebrate and give thanks to our American freedom, the only atmosphere in which

artists can truly create and in which art is truly the expression of the soul; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce upon the occasion of hosting BROOKLYN DESIGNS on May 12, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce.