

## 2017-J5092

Senate Resolution No. 5092

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING The Black Institute upon the occasion  
of hosting its Justice For All Ball on May 9, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those  
illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and  
intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their  
communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its  
long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to  
commend The Black Institute upon the occasion of hosting its Justice For  
All Ball on Wednesday, May 9, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The mission of The Black Institute is to shape intellectual  
discourse and dialogue, and to impact public policy uniquely from a  
Black perspective, a perspective which includes all people of color in  
the United States and throughout the Diaspora; and

WHEREAS, The Black Institute will translate the "think" in  
think-tank into "action" through a head, heart and feet strategy: the  
head being research, data gathering, polling and academic partnerships;  
the heart being civic education, training and development; and the feet  
being on the ground organizing and issue based campaigns; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, The Black Institute will change the discourse of public debate, train and educate new leadership and develop initiatives to build wealth, build power and deliver justice to Black people; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished history, The Black Institute has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of The Black Institute is in direct correlation to the efforts of its board members and staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to The Black Institute; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and 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 Black Institute upon the occasion of hosting its Justice For All Ball on May 9, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Black Institute.