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Senate Resolution No. 5351

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING Dr. Isabelle Barriere upon the occasion of being named a 2018 Hall of Fame Honoree by Making the Impossible Possible, Inc. on May 27, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Dr. Isabelle Barriere upon the occasion of being named a 2018 Hall of Fame Honoree by Making the Impossible Possible, Inc., to be celebrated at its 7th Annual Power of Partnerships, Scholarship and Hall of Fame Gala on Sunday, May 27, 2018, at the BRIC Arts Media, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 2001, Making the Impossible Possible, Inc. (MIPO) is a non-profit membership organization, promoting the quality of life of Haitian youth in the United States and abroad through education, music, character building, medical care, apprenticeship training, family support and scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Isabelle Barriere is an Associate Professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at LIU Brooklyn Communication Sciences and Disorders; she completed her PhD in Applied Linguistics at Birkbeck College at the University of London, and subsequently received training in Early Childhood Education in Neuropsychology at Toulouse University and the Salpetriere Hospital in Paris, as well as in Cognitive Science at Johns Hopkins University; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Dr. Isabelle Barriere has recently served on the review panels of the National Science Foundation and the National Research Conference on Early Childhood; she has also been appointed for a three-year term on the Diversity Committee of the Linguistic Society of America; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Isabelle Barriere holds secondary appointment as Director of Policy for Research and Education at Yeled V'Yalda (YVY) Early Childhood Center, where she is responsible for the Dual Language Policy, and at CUNY Graduate Center where she has been co-supervising Doctoral dissertations; and

WHEREAS, Under her leadership, YVY Research institute has housed projects that simultaneously respond to the practical needs of educators and clinicians serving culturally, ethnically and linguistically diverse population and contributes innovative methodological approaches and new answers to theories in the field; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent

of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Dr. Isabelle Barriere, that future generations may know and appreciate

her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for Dr. Isabelle Barriere and to wish her continued success in all of her future endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Dr. Isabelle Barriere upon the occasion of being named a 2018 Hall of Fame Honoree by Making the Impossible Possible, Inc. on May 27, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Isabelle Barriere.