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Senate Resolution No. 5767

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMEMORATING the Spring Gospel Concert on May 26,  
2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those musical organizations that have brought entertainment and cultural enrichment to the citizens of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the Spring Gospel Concert on Saturday, May 26, 2018, hosted by Bishop Horace and Lady Tania Michael; and

WHEREAS, Gospel recording artist and writer of globally sung "Every Praise" David Bratton, and world travelled artist Debi Dixon, filled the auditorium with melodic gospel sounds; and

WHEREAS, Local Gospel artists and rising gospel stars brought the house down along with the Beulah Tabernacle Mass Choir; the mix of electrifying and spiritual songs warmed the soul; and

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

atmosphere in which artists can truly create and in which music is truly the expression of the soul; and

WHEREAS, The arts, in whatever form presented, are central to human expression; they are truly a universal language and their contribution to the development of friendship and understanding among all peoples cannot be underestimated; individuals who provide a means of preserving a part of our rich American past and who contribute to the community in such noble endeavors as aforementioned, are held in the highest regard by this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the Spring Gospel Concert on May 26, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bishop Horace and Lady Tania Michael.