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Senate Resolution No. 2854

BY: Senator KAPLAN

COMMEMORATING the 8th Anniversary of The Sanctuary  
of Elmont, New York

WHEREAS, Throughout the storied history of New York State, there have emerged among its noble institutions certain houses of worship which have become distinguished through their spiritual leadership and commitment to service, and therefore warrant special recognition; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of a significant milestone in the history of such a religious institution, bringing to the attention of the people of this Empire State the commemoration of the 8th Anniversary of The Sanctuary of Elmont, New York, to be recognized with a Weekend Celebration on March 7-8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Reverend Omar Jolly, The Sanctuary is a Bible-based church located on Hempstead Turnpike in Elmont, New York, which seeks to base all its beliefs on explicit passages of the Bible or on biblical principles; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, The Sanctuary evangelizes the lost and disciples the converted in the Town of Elmont and neighboring communities by building a church of image-bearing, Christ followers who live for God; and

WHEREAS, Through compassionate outreach, scriptural teaching and preaching which is both relevant and apostolic in doctrine, The Sanctuary infuses a culture of community into its church DNA, inviting people to participate in the Kingdom of God and equipping them to live whole-heartedly for Christ day by day; and

WHEREAS, The Sanctuary steadfastly supports its congregation with events, gatherings, discipleship groups and ministries which foster cohesion, truly bringing the influence of its ministry to every crevice of the community; and

WHEREAS, Today, The Sanctuary stands on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades, while retaining that spiritual resolve which has so characterized its glorious past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and pay just tribute to The Sanctuary of Elmont, New York, upon the joyous occasion of its 8th Anniversary, noting with gratitude and respect the ministry it caringly provides on behalf of its congregation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Reverend Omar Jolly, Elmont, New York.