

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Professor Erin Courtney upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the Guggenheim Fellowship Award

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community and their profession; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Professor Erin Courtney upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the Guggenheim Fellowship Award; and

WHEREAS, A Lecturer in English at Brooklyn College, Erin Courtney was one of three Brooklyn College professors who were among 175 winners chosen from nearly 3,000 American and Canadian contenders from the arts, sciences and humanities; she along with the other two faculty members are from Brooklyn College's Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing program; and

WHEREAS, Professor Erin Courtney, a Park Slope resident, who won a 2012 Obie award for her play "A Map of Virtue", will work on a play called "Lucky Day" about residents of a fictional town near the real-life ghost town of Bodie, California, who have all had someone close to them die; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of the San Francisco Art Institute and Brooklyn College in art and playwriting respectively, Professor Erin Courtney is a part of several creative works, including "Black Cat Lost", "Kaspar Hauser: A Foundling's Opera", and "The Great Recession"; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that individuals who distinguish themselves in their profession, dedicating themselves to its enhancement and leading it in new directions, are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Professor Erin Courtney upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the Guggenheim Fellowship Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Professor Erin Courtney.