LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center to be celebrated on May 23, 2013

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose purposeful endeavors serve to enhance the quality of life for the cherished senior citizens in their communities; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center to be celebrated on Thursday, May 23, 2013, at the Jade Asian Restaurant in Flushing, New York; and

WHEREAS, As the Chinese-American Planning Council's only senior center in the outer boroughs, the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center has been a vibrant gathering place for Flushing's Asian community; and

WHEREAS, This vital Center has served many Mandarin Chinese speakers, providing solace, aid, and social activities to New York's expanding population of elderly Chinese; and

WHEREAS, By delivering Meals-on-Wheels to the homebound and offering congregate meals at the center, the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center is committed to helping keep seniors healthy and to offer them a place to gather, breaking down the walls of isolation; and

WHEREAS, The Queens Nan Shan Senior Center also gives seniors a reason to get up and get out, leading to both their physical and emotional health; and

WHEREAS, The programs offered have made the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center a crucial part of the Queens Asian community even while seeking to expand its senior services and programs to meet the current needs of its seniors; and

WHEREAS, The Queens Nan Shan Senior Center's exemplary home attendant program brings friendly help to those who are in need of medical or disability services, working with families and physicians to tailor each home care plan; and

WHEREAS, This significant milestone is an excellent opportunity to recognize the special contributions of the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center and the dedicated individuals who strive to better the quality of life for senior citizens in the community; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize and celebrate the legacy of New York's senior citizens who have experienced tumultuous changes in the 20th Century, including the dawn of the nuclear age, the rise of the computer, and the proliferation of the automobile, television, technology and so many other innovations of the American spirit, and who now represent a great and willing source of knowledge available to our great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Queens Nan Shan Senior Center.