LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association upon the occasion of its 25th Anniversary Nostalgic Dinner and Dance on June 21, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those enduring organizations which faithfully devote their resources and purposeful energies to preserving and improving the quality and dignity of life in the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association upon the occasion of its 25th Anniversary, to be celebrated with a Nostalgic Dinner and Dance on Friday, June 21, 2013, at Jing Fong Restaurant in Manhattan's Chinatown; and

WHEREAS, The Brooklyn Chinese-American Association (BCA) was founded in 1988 as a small social services agency whose primary mission was to provide assistance to the growing Asian-American community in the Sunset Park, Borough Park and Bay Ridge sections of Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association has expanded in order to meet the needs of the increasing population of Asian-Americans in the borough, currently estimated to be 250,000; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association is a multi-faceted human services and community development organization that serves over 3,000 families daily at its Main Community Service Center and 20 other service sites throughout Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, The Brooklyn Chinese-American Association's services include four senior centers, six early childhood education centers, youth-oriented programs at seven school sites and 30 concurrent educational classes for adults and senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Brooklyn Chinese-American Association also provides comprehensive bilingual social services, crime prevention and victim services and a Chinese Cultural School; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association sponsors community economic development projects, community clean-ups and other community events, such as the annual Chinese New Year Parade; and

WHEREAS, It is with due cause and proper resolve that this Legislative Body honors and recognizes the accomplishments of the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association, fully confident that it stands ready to meet the challenges of the future while sustaining its unique cultural heritage and tradition of service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body, acting with just pride and admiration, pause in its deliberations to commend the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association on the occasion of its 25th Anniversary Nostalgic Dinner and Dance on June 21, 2013, noting the success with which it continues to achieve its goal of enhancing the quality of life of Asian-Americans; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Paul P. Mak, President/CEO, Brooklyn Chinese-American Association.