LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION welcoming the Staten Island Daughters of Africa upon the occasion of their visit to The New York State Capitol, Albany, New York, on May 21, 2013

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals and organizations it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to welcome the Staten Island Daughters of Africa upon the occasion of their visit to The New York State Capitol, Albany, New York, on Tuesday, May 21, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1996, the Daughters of Africa is a community youth group for boys and girls, whose mission is to aid in the efficient use of existing services, and to help young people become civic leaders, as well as active in the political process; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Executive Director Sharon Peake, the organization identifies and fills gaps in the recreational and service network of the local community; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to give back to the community, the Daughters of Africa host an annual Christmas party, and hold a toy drive for families of modest means; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to welcome the Staten Island Daughters of Africa upon the occasion of their visit to The New York State Capitol, Albany, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Daughters of Africa.