LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 60th Anniversary of Deepdale Gardens Corporations, Inc. on July 14, 2013

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities of New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of Deepdale Gardens Corporations, Inc., to be celebrated on Sunday, July 14, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Deepdale Gardens is a self-managed residential cooperative community located in the Northeast section of Queens; incorporated in the early 1950s, it was the largest federally sponsored housing cooperative built in the United States designed as affordable housing for World War II veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, Deepdale Gardens is situated on 60 acres of land and is comprised of 69 buildings containing 1,396 garden style apartments; Deepdale Gardens Corporations consists of four corporations, with each apartment represented by one share of stock in one of the designated corporations; and

WHEREAS, Deepdale Gardens was featured in an article in the U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT as an exemplar of cooperative living, and offers many recreational, educational and social opportunities to its shareholders, including laundry rooms, parking, a swimming pool club, play areas for children, and socializing opportunities for seniors; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of its illustrious six decades, this visionary organization has expanded beyond its original goals to embrace the diversity reflective of the population of Queens County and New York City, as well as the multi-generational aspect of its community; and

WHEREAS, This occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Deepdale Gardens Corporations; and

WHEREAS, In so effectively carrying out its mission, Deepdale Gardens Corporations has demonstrated the value of fostering the cooperative spirit; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of Deepdale Gardens Corporations, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Deepdale Gardens Corporations, Inc.