

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Patricia Banfield Williams upon the occasion of her retirement after 27 years of distinguished service to the Ronald H. Brown School

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge those individuals whose professional lives and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, The future success of our State and Nation is dependent upon individuals such as Patricia Banfield Williams, who dedicate their lives as educators, nurturing our most precious resource, our youth; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Patricia Banfield Williams upon the occasion of her retirement after 27 years of distinguished service to the Ronald H. Brown School; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Banfield Williams has served in many capacities throughout her illustrious career; she has taught students from pre-kindergarten through adult education, and served as Chapter Delegate and Leader to her pedagogue at Ronald H. Brown School; and

WHEREAS, Serving the community as a Community School Coordinator for seven years, Patricia Banfield Williams maintained a program that built capacity in students' academic achievement and parental involvement; this position allowed her to address the holistic needs of the school's community; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, under the auspices of the United Federation of Teachers and the New York City Department of Education, Patricia Banfield Williams provided professional development for teachers; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband, Rabbi Eliyahu Ben Yehudah, and her two sons, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and in the great State of New York, is reflective of the purposeful lives and good works of those civic-minded community members who dedicate their lives and career to the service of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her career, Patricia Banfield Williams has brought an uncompromising standard of excellence to her work and a warm sense of caring and concern to every person she educates; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Patricia Banfield Williams upon the occasion of her retirement after 27 years of distinguished service to the Ronald H. Brown School; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Patricia Banfield Williams.