

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. upon the occasion of celebrating his Sixth Anniversary as Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Red Hook

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. upon the occasion of celebrating his Sixth Anniversary as Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Red Hook; and

WHEREAS, As the esteemed senior pastor of the historical Calvary Baptist Church of Red Hook, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. is a third generation preacher in his family; and

WHEREAS, On Saturday, September 16, 2006, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. was called to be the fourth pastor in the sixty-five year history of the Calvary Baptist Church of Red Hook; in September 2012, he celebrated his sixth anniversary as the church's Pastor; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. began the ministry of preaching the gospel on Sunday, September 8, 1996, under the tutelage of Reverend Dr. Spurgeon E. Crayton, Senior Pastor of the Mount Ollie Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, On November 22, 1998, The Eastern Baptist Association of New York ordained Reverend Credle to gospel ministry; he had began his first pastoral assignment in February of 1997; in June 1999, the True Deliverance Church he founded as a mission was officially established as a church; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his full time engagement in the ministry, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. was employed by the New York City Department of Education and by the Federal Aviation Administration; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. attended Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee; he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Law and Paralegal Studies from the City University of New York; and

WHEREAS, Currently, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. is in graduate school at the Union Theological Seminary/Columbia University in New York City, where he is a Master of Divinity Candidate for the year of 2013; and

WHEREAS, In addition, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. intends to obtain his Doctorate of Ministry degree; he has also completed clinical pastoral education at the Jewish Theological Seminary and holds two certificates of completion from accredited Bible schools; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. grew up in the Brownsville section of Brooklyn, New York; he is married to Cheron Diedra Credle; together they are the proud and loving parents of four children, Joshua Prince, Jordan Grace, Victory Johanna and Zoe Sonia; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr. upon the occasion of celebrating his Sixth Anniversary as Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church of Red Hook; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to The Reverend Dr. John A. Credle, Jr.