

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission upon the occasion of celebrating its 30th Anniversary on April 17, 2015

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

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission upon the occasion of celebrating its 30th Anniversary on Friday, April 17, 2015, at TWU Local 100 Headquarters, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission was established in 1985 to perpetuate the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and to acknowledge his basic principles through the development of appropriate programs and activities which recognize his philosophy of human understanding, racial harmony, social and economic justice through non-violent means; and

WHEREAS, Providing a forum for discussion and resolution of problems concerning educational, economic and social issues impacting community life, the Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission educates local communities on the significance of Dr. King's movement to secure human and civil rights through his philosophy of non-violent social change and the relevancy of his teachings to society's current problems; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this vital organization promotes racial harmony and social justice through the application of Dr. King's methodology of empowerment, wherein local communities are encouraged to identify, develop and implement programs that foster grassroots economic development and alleviate unemployment, poverty, racism and violence; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, this volunteer-led and operated Commission has operated an annual essay, poetry and art contest for Brooklyn's elementary, middle and high school students focused on the life and work of Dr. King and its relevance to today's world; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission upon the occasion of celebrating its 30th Anniversary on April 17, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Central Brooklyn Martin Luther King Commission.