

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Gwendolyn Lewis upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Service Award by the Sickie Cell Thalassemia Patients Network

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those individuals within the medical field who distinguish themselves through professional excellence and who have made significant contributions to the quality of life of citizens in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Gwendolyn Lewis upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Service Award by the Sickie Cell Thalassemia Patients Network, to be celebrated at its 23rd Annual Glamorous Red Carpet Dinner and Dance Gala on Saturday, April 9, 2016, at The Grand Prospect Hall, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Gwendolyn Lewis has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, The Sickie Cell Thalassemia Patients Network is an organization which provides education, advocacy, referral services, and support for individuals and families living with sickie cell disease, thalassemia, and other inherited blood disorders; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Sickie Cell Thalassemia Patients Network (SCTPN) honors medical professionals such as Gwendolyn Lewis who dedicate their careers to caring for people living with sickie cell and other chronic conditions associated with the disease; and

WHEREAS, Gwendolyn Lewis is the Vice-President of Nursing and Ambulatory Care at Interfaith Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York; she is responsible for providing nursing and clinical oversight for the Bishop Orris G. Walker Health Care Center, the Atlantic Men's Shelter, the Methadone Maintenance and Treatment program and the Primary Care Center; and

WHEREAS, Individuals such as Gwendolyn Lewis, who have given so selflessly of their skills and dedication, have proven to be a great asset to the health and welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Gwendolyn Lewis has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to commend and recognize those esteemed individuals and institutions within the medical community for their extraordinary and sustained contributions to the progress of medicine and the improvement of life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Gwendolyn Lewis upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Outstanding Service Award by the Sickie Cell Thalassemia Patients Network; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Gwendolyn Lewis.