LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Gloria Carter upon the occasion of her designation as Toast to Our Mothers Honoree by Dress for Success Worldwide on April 7, 2016

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Gloria Carter upon the occasion of her designation as Toast to Our Mothers Honoree by Dress for Success Worldwide, celebrated at its Give Confidence, Hope and Style 2016 Gala held on Thursday, April 7, 2016, at the Grand Hyatt New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Gloria Carter, CEO and co-Founder of the Shawn Carter Foundation, for her steadfast and unremitting commitment to treating all women with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, Under Gloria Carter's luminous leadership, the Shawn Carter Foundation strives to help individuals facing socio-economic hardships further their education at institutions of higher learning; and

WHEREAS, Each year, more than 800 guests and industry leaders from the worlds of fashion, entertainment, media, retail, philanthropy and finance share in Dress for Success Worldwide's mission of empowering women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help women thrive in work and in life; and

WHEREAS, With the generous support of its benefactors, nearly 70,000 women worldwide get back to work and rebuild better lives; and

WHEREAS, At Dress for Success Worldwide, the women that its serves are the true celebrities of the organization; 10 Success Ambassadors are selected to attend the gala based on their achievements since joining Dress for Success and the commitment they have shown to progressing in their careers; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Gloria Carter upon the occasion of her designation as Toast to Our Mothers Honoree by Dress for Success Worldwide on April 7, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Gloria Carter, CEO and co-Founder, Shawn Carter Foundation.