LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION recognizing the confirmation of Loretta Lynch for the position of Attorney General of the United States

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to support individuals who demonstrate a dedication of public service to the State of New York and the United States; and

WHEREAS, It is acknowledged, that Loretta Lynch has been nominated by President Barack Obama to serve as the Attorney General of the United States; once confirmed, she will make history as the first female African-American to serve in this esteemed position; and

WHEREAS, Loretta Lynch was appointed by President Barack Obama in 2010 to serve as the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York, overseeing all federal criminal and civil investigations and cases in the counties of Richmond, Queens, Kings, Nassau and Suffolk, focusing on the office's national security practice in the field of cyber security and emphasizing community outreach; and

WHEREAS, United States Attorney General Eric Holder appointed Loretta Lynch to serve on the Attorney General's Advisory Committee in 2010, naming her Chair of the Committee in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Loretta Lynch serves as a member of the United States Department of Justice Diversity Council, holding the position of Co-Chair of the White Collar Crime Subcommittee, and she instructs the Criminal Trial Advocacy Program of the Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, It is recognized during Loretta Lynch's tenure at the Eastern District of New York, she served as the Deputy Chief of General Crimes and as Chief of Intake and Arraignments and as Chief of the Long Island Office from 1994 to 1998; and

WHEREAS, Serving in Long Island Office of the Eastern District of New York, she prosecuted a series of trials involving public corruption, notably the aiding in the prosecution of the sexual assault of Haitian immigrant Abner Louima by uniformed New York City police officers; and

WHEREAS, Loretta Lynch's career in law and public service demonstrates her credentials and qualifications to serve as the first black woman to hold the position of Attorney General of the United States; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize Loretta Lynch on her confirmation and appointment for the position of Attorney General of the United States; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Loretta Lynch, Attorney General of the United States.