LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation upon the occasion of celebrating its 8th Annual Benefit and Award Gala, and paying tribute to this year's honorees

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 Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation upon the occasion of celebrating its 8th Annual Benefit and Award Gala, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees; and

WHEREAS, The 2015 honorees include Jay Hershenson, Senior Vice Chancellor for University Relations, The City University of New York; David J. Louie, President, David J. Louie, Inc.; and the Wong Family Benevolent Association; and

WHEREAS, The Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation was founded by residents, business owners and community groups to rebuild Chinatown after the terrorist attacks of September 11th; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, this remarkable organization has been an overwhelmingly successful endeavor, accomplishing such neighborhood improvements as getting streets cleaned, and storefronts washed and painted; its efforts have drawn thousands of visitors to the area and increased the prosperity of local businesses; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation continues to engage the community by leading efforts to improve the neighborhood's physical environment through such programs as the Clean Streets initiative, streetscape improvements, enhanced lighting, and way-finding projects; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation 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 residents of the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation; 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 Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation upon the occasion of celebrating its 8th Annual Benefit and Award Gala, and to pay tribute to its 2015 honorees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation, and the aforementioned honorees.