

BY: Senator MONTGOMERY

HONORING Sharon Content upon the occasion of being inducted into the Strong Nonprofits for Better New York's Women in Human Services Hall of Fame on March 13, 2018

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Content has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Sharon Content upon the occasion of being inducted into the Strong Nonprofits for Better New York's Women in Human Services Hall of Fame on Tuesday, March 13, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Content is the Founder and President of Children of Promise, New York City (CPNYC), a community-based, non-profit organization in Bedford Stuyvesant, Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, With little to no support for children of prisoners, Sharon Content successfully developed an innovative program model, the only one of its kind in New York City, which co-locates a mental health clinic and a comprehensive after school and summer day camp in the same program site; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Sharon Content, CPNYC embraces and supports the children of incarcerated parents, empowering them to break the cycle of intergenerational involvement in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, the agency currently serves 350 children and families each year and is proud to report that no young person, in the 10-year history of the organization, has been involved with the juvenile or criminal justice systems; and

WHEREAS, A native New Yorker, Sharon Content is a respected alumna of Howard University; and

WHEREAS, The success of Children of Promise is in direct correlation to the efforts of President Sharon Content, 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, Throughout the entire period of her community service, a period of constructive involvement, Sharon Content has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

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

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Sharon Content, that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Sharon Content upon the occasion of being inducted into the Strong Nonprofits for Better New York's Women in Human Services Hall of Fame on March 13, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sharon Content.