

BY: Senator MONTGOMERY

HONORING The Reverend W. Taharka Robinson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Community Service Leadership Award by the Community Council for Medgar Evers College, Inc. on April 21, 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, The Reverend W. Taharka Robinson has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor The Reverend W. Taharka Robinson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Community Service Leadership Award by the Community Council for Medgar Evers College, Inc. to be celebrated at its Annual Spring Scholarship and Leadership Awards Luncheon on Saturday, April 21, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1972, the Community Council for Medgar Evers College, Inc. includes residents, organizations, faculty, students and all elected officials of the Central Brooklyn community who support the mission of the College, and since 1980, have provided more than 220,000 dollars in scholarships to deserving students through fundraising events, outside grants and contributions; and

WHEREAS, The Reverend W. Taharka Robinson has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to his community, W. Taharka Robinson founded The Brooklyn Anti-Violence Coalition to empower people through social and political awareness in addition to teaching the power of self-sufficiency in a community; and

WHEREAS, In 2002, W. Taharka Robinson founded Urban Political Consulting Group, a full service consulting firm which handles every phase of a candidate's campaign, from strategy, management, community outreach, polling, media and field coordination; and

WHEREAS, Targeting urban communities throughout the State of New York, the Urban Political Consulting Group became sought after by candidates in federal, state, and municipal elections; through his commitment and dedication, W. Taharka Robinson successfully orchestrated the election of 10 Judges to the Kings County Civil Court; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous leadership of W. Taharka Robinson, the

Urban Political Consulting Group was instrumental in securing the election of numerous high-profile clients throughout New York; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor The Reverend W. Taharka Robinson upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Community Service Leadership Award by the Community Council for Medgar Evers College, Inc. on April 21, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Reverend W. Taharka Robinson.