

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING The Very Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne upon the occasion of being ordained a Bishop of Triumphant Full Gospel Assembly on May 28, 2022

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to bring full recognition and just tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves and the ministry through their unremitting commitment and preeminence of service; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend The Very Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne upon the occasion of being ordained a Bishop of Triumphant Full Gospel Assembly on Saturday, May 28, 2022, at Mount Sinai Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne has earned a Doctorate of Christian Psychology, Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Counseling and more recently, a Ph.D. in Psychology of Christian Counseling from Mount Olive Bible Institute and Seminary; she also holds an honorary Doctorate Degree in Ministry from Anointed By God Ministries; and

WHEREAS, As the first female and third sitting Bishop Designate in the history of Triumphant Full Gospel Assembly (TFGA), an inner-city church in Brooklyn, New York, Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne is currently a Senior Pastor; since 2000, she has also served as an Apostle, ministering to various churches; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne is bi-lingual and has traveled to various Spanish speaking congregations; she is the General Overseer of Ministerio Triunfante en Cristo, and Triumphant Gospel Ministries, both located in Panama City, Panama, and various other local fellowships; and

WHEREAS, This kind and compassionate woman is also the Executive Director of the Triumphant Breakthrough Food Pantry, which has been feeding the hungry for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her leadership role in the Church, Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne is a published author, Certified Professional Life Coach and educator; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne published her first book entitled, **The Color of Glory**, and **Season Nuggets**, written by her mother, the late Reverend Dr. Eleonora Joseph, and is currently writing her second book entitled, **Season Memories**; and

WHEREAS, For 35 years, Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne served as both founder and Executive Director of TFGA's daycare and pre-kindergarten school known as Triumphant Dear God Christian Center (TDGCC), which was also an active and licensed participant in Pre-K for All sponsored by the New York City Board of Education for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne holds the title of President of the accredited Empowering Leaders Bible Institute and Seminary (E.L.I.) located in Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband of 53 years, Bishop Dr. Melvin E. Bayne Sr., their three children, and two grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, For many years, The Very Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne has brought to her ministry an overwhelming spirit of charity and compassion, acting from vision and enlightenment in conducting her administrative and spiritual duties, while always displaying the highest standards of personal and professional integrity and dedication; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished woman of God has always given enlightenment, guidance and wisdom to the many entrusted to her care and has administered abundantly and unstintingly to the spiritual and corporal needs of all; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when a person of such noble aims and accomplishments is brought to our attention it is appropriate to publicly and jubilantly proclaim and commend that individual for the edification of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend The Very Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne upon the occasion of being ordained a Bishop of Triumphant Full Gospel Assembly, noting her unremitting and compassionate faith and her exemplary service to God and her community, and extending to her the heartfelt best wishes of this Legislative Body for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Very Reverend Dr. Lilia A. Bayne.