

BY: Senator HOYLMAN-SIGAL

COMMEMORATING the 50th Anniversary of The Alliance of Resident Theaters/New York, commonly known as A.R.T./New York

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor and commemorate the distinguished histories of the institutions which comprise the noble body of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of The Alliance of Resident Theaters/New York; and

WHEREAS, What was then known as the "Off Broadway Alliance" was founded in 1972 as a small collective focused on promoting community and collaboration across a budding field; and

WHEREAS, A.R.T./New York has since become an essential pillar of a diverse member community of nearly 500 theatres and 150 individual producer and artist members, establishing itself as the single membership organization serving the full breadth of New York City and State's not-for-profit theatres; and

WHEREAS, A.R.T./New York serves New York City's theatrical ecosystem by providing artists with the essential resources they need to put creative ideas on stage, such as space, education, funding, and community; and

WHEREAS, In furtherance of this mission, A.R.T./New York operates subsidized office, rehearsal and theater spaces out of three locations in New York City: South Oxford Space in Fort Greene Brooklyn, 520 Eighth Avenue, and the A.R.T./New York Theatres on 53rd and 10th Avenue.

WHEREAS, A.R.T./New York's dedicated and knowledgeable staff offers trainings, educational programs, and other support to the theatrical workforce, addressing topics ranging from specialized sexual harassment trainings to financial planning to removing hiring bias and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Guided by its organizational values of opportunity, community, innovation, empowerment, justice and equity, and accountability, the unifying service at A.R.T./New York is community building- whether that is through advocacy, member convenings, or responsive programming.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate A.R.T./New York's 50th Anniversary, recognizing the significance of the role it continues to play in supporting and enriching New York theater, contributing immeasurably to New York City's cultural fabric and economic vitality; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Alliance of Resident Theaters/New York.