

BY: Senator PARKER

HONORING Nicholas Buamah upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of an Entrepreneurial Award by the Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards Program

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community and their profession; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Nicholas Buamah upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of an Entrepreneurial Award by the Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards Program to be celebrated at the 18th Anniversary of the Young, Gifted, & Black Award Program on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at Terrace On The Park in Queens, New York; and

WHEREAS, Established in 2006 by President/CEO of the NetLinkz Group, Inc., Carl O. Gray, the Young, Gifted, & Black (YGB) Entrepreneurial Awards Program recognizes individuals who continue to reach levels of great success through hard work and determination, proving to be inspiring role models to their community and peers; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, the Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards Program acknowledges the talent, ambition, and achievements of African American and Caribbean professionals towards their continued pursuit of success; and

WHEREAS, The Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards Program was launched in honor of Black History Month and shines a light on accomplished individuals such as Nicholas Buamah, who truly exemplifies an entrepreneurial spirit; and

WHEREAS, Nicholas Buamah is a nine-year-old best-selling author, social entrepreneur, and youth influencer, from Atlanta, Georgia; his first published book was titled **Kayla & Kyle The Walking Dictionaries: Election Day**, which became an international best-seller and is now cataloged in the Library of Congress; and

WHEREAS, Passionate about his cultural roots, Nicholas Buamah dedicated his non-profit organization, Books Without Borders, Inc., to helping equip youth in underprivileged communities, such as Ghana, with educational resources to help them thrive and break barriers; and

WHEREAS, He is also one of the youngest recording artists and music producers registered with BMI, and has recently launched his musical debut titled, "On The Clock," using his voice and talents to bring light to various important community topics; and

WHEREAS, This honoree exemplifies the best of his community, by virtue of his energy, vision, and dedication, commanding the greatest respect among his friends and colleagues, and within the community at large; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commend young individuals of outstanding character, who have shown initiative and commitment toward constantly pursuing higher goals for themselves, and acting as role models of leadership to be emulated by peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Nicholas Buamah upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of an Entrepreneurial Award by the Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nicholas Buamah.