

BY: Senator PARKER

HONORING the Beta Lambda Chapter upon the occasion of its 75th Anniversary of dedicated service to Brooklyn College and the surrounding community

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those fraternal organizations of high purpose and worthy accomplishment whose endeavors have faithfully served the welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the Beta Lambda Chapter upon the occasion of its 75th Anniversary of dedicated service to Brooklyn College and the surrounding community, to be celebrated on Saturday, April 29, 2023, in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The KBS Foundation Limited serves as the philanthropic arm of the Kappa Beta Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.; the mission is to engage young men of color, particularly Black men, in conversations and activities critical to their understanding of self, their role in building their communities, leadership development, and economic self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, years before My Brother's Keeper, several brothers from the Kappa Beta Sigma Chapter asked themselves and the brothers in the chapter, if there was more they could do to impact the lives of young men and boys of color; with the answer being "yes," the KBS Foundation Limited was formed at the City University of New York Brooklyn College on February 14, 1948; and

WHEREAS, Today, KBS Foundation Limited continues to impact the lives of young men of color through scholarships, educational programming, community involvement and strategic partnerships; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proudly moved to honor and commend the members of the Beta Lambda Chapter of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., past and present, who have labored so conscientiously to secure and improve the quality of life for the community it serves; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Beta Lambda Chapter upon the occasion of its 75th Anniversary of dedicated service to Brooklyn College and the surrounding community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Beta Lambda Chapter and KBS Foundation Limited.