

Assembly Resolution No. 508

BY: M. of A. Lupardo

MOURNING the death of Dr. M. Beverly Hosten Dorsey, distinguished citizen, and devoted member of her community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey of Binghamton, New York died on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at the age of 98; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey distinguished herself in her profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of her community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey's commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Born April 5, 1925, in Manhattan to the late Edward Rawle Hosten and Frederica Blanche Gittens Hosten, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey graduated from Hunter College in 1944 with a bachelor's degree in chemistry and the sciences; she later attended Howard University Medical School; and

WHEREAS, At Howard Medical School, she met her soon-to-be husband, Beverly Roscoe Dorsey; the two got married in 1953 and did their internship at Queens General Hospital; and

WHEREAS, The married couple began their residency at Wilson Hospital in 1954 in Binghamton; and

WHEREAS, Her professional career included working as a Physician for Planned Parenthood, Laboratory Technician in Goldwater Hospital in NYC, Primary Grade School Teacher in Flushing, NY, Medical Advisor for the Broome County Home Care Committee, Medical Staff at Endicott Johnson Corporation, and Private Medical Practice - Internal Medicine with her husband, Dr. Beverly R. Dorsey; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey retired in 1997 as a medical doctor and enjoyed her life living at St. Louis Manor in Binghamton, New York; devoted in faith, she maintained active participation with the Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church throughout her retirement; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated community volunteer, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey formerly served in the following positions: United Health Service Hospitals (Board of Directors), Broome County Medical Society (Board of Directors), Council of Binghamton University (Advisor to President Louis De Fleur), Council of Binghamton University School of Education and

Human Development, United Fund (forerunner of United Way), NYC Commission on Human Rights, Physicians for Planned Parenthood, Medical Advisor for Broome County Home Care Commission, the Vestry of Trinity

Memorial Episcopal Church, and as a Trustee for Children's Home of Wyoming Conference (Methodist); and

WHEREAS, Her numerous organization affiliations included: National Medical Association (Black Medical Society), American Medical Association, Medical Society of the State of New York, Broome County Medical Society, Interracial Association (forerunner of the Urban League), Broome County Urban League, NAACP of Broome County, Broome County Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (Appalachian Alumnae Chapter), and Charter Life member of Howard University Medical Alumni Association, Inc. (HUMAA); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey's service to the community was recognized with many honors, including: Broome County Status of Women Council (Honoree from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. 1984), Achiever's Award from Utica Consistory of Prince Hall Masonic Affiliation (1998), Paul Harris Fellowship Distinguished Citizen Award (From Rotary in November 1999), Woman of Distinction 2000 Honoree (Indian Hill Girl Scouts), Chairman's Recognition Award (In appreciation of service to the Department of Internal Medicine at United Health Services Hospital in October of 2000) and Broome County Council of Churches Honoree (2000); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey had numerous hobbies and interests, including exercising, football, track, and other sports in which members of her family were involved; she also loved skiing, skating, horseback riding, music, opera, theater, visual arts, and keeping up with current events; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey is survived by her daughters, Adrienne and Jeannine; three grandsons, Zachary, William, and Seth; sister-in-law, Ann Denise; nephews, Michael, Gregory, Terence, Paul, and Joseph; and a circle of devoted friends; she was predeceased by her three younger brothers, Edward, Gittens, and Edison, as well as her husband, Dr. Beverly R. Dorsey; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all she served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Dr. M. Beverly Hosten Dorsey, distinguished citizen, and devoted member of her community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Dr. Beverly Hosten Dorsey.