

Senate Resolution No. 482

**BY:** Senator PARKER

**COMMENDING** Dr. Evelyn Castro and Medgar Evers College upon the occasion of hosting the Black Family Wellness Expo on March 15, 2025

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those institutions and leaders who work tirelessly to promote public health, community engagement, and wellness initiatives that serve historically underserved populations; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Dr. Evelyn Castro, Senior Advisor to the President for Community Engagement and Dean of the School of Professional and Community Development at Medgar Evers College, and the organizers of the Black Family Wellness Expo on the occasion of its Annual Event to be held on Saturday, March 15, 2025; and

**WHEREAS,** The Black Family Wellness Expo is a vital community health initiative, offering free medical services, including mammograms, children's dental screenings, and blood donation drives, as well as food pantry distributions to support families in need; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to providing these essential health services, the Expo will feature an integrative medicine panel discussion and expert-led sessions covering critical topics in health care, reinforcing the importance of education, prevention, and access to quality medical resources; and

**WHEREAS,** Under the leadership of Dr. Evelyn Castro and the dedicated team at Medgar Evers College, this annual Expo has become a beacon of health equity, community advocacy, and public service, ensuring that individuals and families receive the care and information they need to thrive; and

**WHEREAS,** This initiative reflects the enduring mission of Medgar Evers College to serve as a hub for education, empowerment, and social impact, fostering a healthier and stronger community; and

**WHEREAS,** It is fitting and proper that this Legislative Body recognize and celebrate the efforts of Dr. Evelyn Castro, Medgar Evers College, and the dedicated healthcare professionals, volunteers, and partners who make the Black Family Wellness Expo a success each year; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Dr. Evelyn Castro and Medgar Evers College upon the occasion of hosting the Black Family Wellness Expo, recognizing their unwavering dedication to public health, community service, and health equity; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Evelyn Castro, Senior Advisor to the President for Community Engagement and Dean of the School of Professional and Community Development at Medgar Evers College.