

**BY:** Senator COMRIE

**CONGRATULATING** Yvonne Reddick upon the occasion of her retirement as District Manager after more than 40 years of distinguished service to Community Board 12

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Yvonne Reddick upon the occasion of her retirement as District Manager after more than 40 years of distinguished service to Community Board 12; she will officially retire from this esteemed position on Monday, April 21, 2025; and

**WHEREAS,** Yvonne Reddick made history as the first woman to serve as District Manager of Community Board 12, which is the second largest community board in the City of New York, encompassing the vibrant neighborhoods of Jamaica, South Jamaica, St. Albans, Hollis, Springfield Gardens, Jamaica Center, and Addisleigh Park; and

**WHEREAS,** Yvonne Reddick began her service to Community Board 12 in 1984 as Assistant District Manager and ascended to the role of District Manager in 1994, demonstrating unwavering dedication, a tireless work ethic, and a profound commitment to public service throughout her tenure; and

**WHEREAS,** Her leadership has helped shepherd transformative developments in the district, including the expansion of York College, the establishment of new schools, the realization of long-held cultural dreams, the opening of the Archer Avenue and Parsons Boulevard subway lines, and the integration of the AirTrain system, which has become a major economic engine for Southeast Queens; and

**WHEREAS,** Yvonne Reddick played a pivotal role in the comprehensive rezoning of Jamaica, the revitalization of local parks, infrastructure improvements, and the delivery of critical educational and community resources, thanks in no small part to her collaborative approach and strong relationships with public officials; and

**WHEREAS,** Ever attuned to the pressing needs of her community, Yvonne Reddick has been a persistent and vocal advocate on issues such as groundwater levels, homelessness, flooding, transportation access, and the foreclosure crisis—always seeking solutions that uplift and support her constituents; and

**WHEREAS,** Yvonne Reddick's four decades of civic service stand as a shining example of integrity, perseverance, and love for community, and

she leaves behind a remarkable legacy that will continue to inspire future generations of public servants; and

**WHEREAS,** For more 40 years, Yvonne Reddick rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the Queens community, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

**WHEREAS,** Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, leadership, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Yvonne Reddick over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Yvonne Reddick upon the occasion of her retirement, and to extend to her the very best wishes for continued success, health, and happiness in all her future endeavors; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Yvonne Reddick.