

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mrs. Gloria Rosaline Prescod-Preudhomme upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the IBW Pan African Legacy Award

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mrs. Gloria Rosaline Prescod-Preudhomme upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the IBW Pan African Legacy Award on November 17, 2012 in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme is receiving this award for her outstanding work on behalf of the IBW during its State of the Black World Conference; and

WHEREAS, The IBW is committed to building the capacity of Black communities in the United States for social, political, economic and cultural upliftment; in addition, it develops an enhanced quality of life for all marginalized people; and

WHEREAS, Affiliated with numerous organizations and events, Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme has been instrumental with the following: Brooklyn CORE Demonstrations, the Ocean Hill-Brownsville Teachers, the Brooklyn East Cultural Center, New York State Brooklyn Downstate Medical Center, the 1972 Gary Convention, the 1963 March on Washington, and the Million Family and Million Man Marches; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme earned her B.S. degree from Long Island University, and her M.A. degree from Brooklyn College; she obtained a Doctor of Public Administration degree from New York University and completed a two-year course of study towards an Education Policy Certificate, Revson Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Having a career in state government, Mrs. Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme served as the Deputy Commissioner in the New York State Office of Children and Families for 12 years; as a member of the Division's Executive Staff, she participated in and contributed to the development of the agency's Master Plan in 1984, Implementation Plan 1985 - 1987, and the Plan Update from 1988 - 1994; and

WHEREAS, An ardent public speaker in schools, churches, and community agencies on issues in government relating to children, youth and their families, Mrs. Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme designed and implemented program activities for the New York City site of the National Funding Collaborative on Violence Prevention; she served as a consultant, managed a city-wide project in collaboration with over 50 youth serving agencies, and worked directly with faith, business, foundations, media, and neighborhood organizations; and

WHEREAS, An accomplished author and publisher of several papers, journals and manuals, Mrs. Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme is the recipient of various certificates and honors, including: Royal Art Honors from Oxford and Cambridge University, London, England; New York State Permanent Teachers License - Grades K through 12; New York State Teachers License - French; selected in 1978 for WHO'S WHO OF AMERICAN WOMEN and in 1996 for the INTERNATIONAL WHO'S WHO OF PROFESSIONALS; and

WHEREAS, Since 1995, Mrs. Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme has successfully implemented the Rites of Passage Program in the cities of Detroit, New York, Philadelphia, Toronto and Miami; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Mrs. Gloria Prescod-Preudhomme's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor Mrs. Gloria Rosaline Prescod-Preudhomme upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the IBW Pan African Legacy Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mrs. Gloria Rosaline Prescod-Preudhomme.