LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating four Brooklyn Technical High School students upon the occasion of winning the Samsung Solve for Tomorrow education contest

WHEREAS, Educational competitions which serve to better prepare our students for their future participation are worthy of praise and support; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, honoring the youth of today, and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and achievements best exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate four Brooklyn Technical High School students upon the occasion of winning the Samsung Solve for Tomorrow education contest; and

WHEREAS, Tomorrow's economies will be forged by students who are proficient in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) subjects; Samsung is dedicated to helping people discover a world of possibilities, and have made it their mission to raise student interest in STEM subjects nationwide through innovative programs with our partners that will help us all build a better tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, To excite students about the possibilities of STEM education, Samsung started the Solve for Tomorrow education contest, giving schools across the United States the opportunity to raise interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math subjects among students by awarding their schools with a share of technology products; and

WHEREAS, Alison Collard, Benjamin Spiegel, Hanin Dari and Riccardo Monico, an extraordinary team of Brooklyn Technical High School students who designed a smartwatch app to protect children from car accidents, are among the five winners of this prestigious national contest to use technology to solve real-world problems; and

WHEREAS, The functional prototype, which the students hope will be polished further and used by consumers, detects an oncoming car based on the sound waves emitted by its engine; the watch's alarm then warns its wearer to get out of the way; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, these scholars now stand honorably, with just pride in their accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by their teachers, coaches and parents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate four Brooklyn Technical High School students upon the occasion of winning the Samsung Solve for Tomorrow education contest; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alison Collard, Benjamin Spiegel, Hanin Dari and Riccardo Monico.