

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING the Haitian-American Community Coalition and Flatlands Reformed Community Center upon the occasion of hosting the Flatlands Food and Fitness Festival on July 27, 2019

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, in keeping with its time-honored traditions, to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations which foster ethnic pride and enhance the profile of cultural diversity which strengthens the fabric of the communities of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Haitian-American Community Coalition and Flatlands Reformed Community Center upon the occasion of hosting the Flatlands Food and Fitness Festival to be held on Saturday, July 27, 2019; and

WHEREAS, The Flatlands Food and Fitness Festival, Brooklyn's only event dedicated to health, fitness, food and nutrition for all ages, is the newly designed re-branding of the Haitian-American Community Coalition's highly successful Annual Health and Wellness Expo which was previously held at the Flatbush Caton market for the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, The Flatlands Food and Fitness Festival is the signature event created from the joint efforts of the Haitian-American Community Coalition and Flatlands Reformed Community Center where attendees will be exposed to a genre of physical activities, health and nutrition options, and information that will improve their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Over 500 local residents from the surrounding areas of Flatlands, Flatbush, East Flatbush, Old Mill Basin and Sheepshead Bay are expected to attend the biggest, most culturally diverse street festival in the Flatlands-Flatbush community; and

WHEREAS, Attendees can participate in free cardio fitness activities throughout the day, eat international and local foods, shop for health and wellness products, and hang out with neighbors and friends; and

WHEREAS, All vendors, with the exception of food vendors, must have a direct correlation with health, wellness and fitness; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Flatlands Food and Fitness Festival will feature over 50 exhibition health and wellness vendors, businesses, local organizations, restaurants, and food trucks alongside and around Kings Highway; and

WHEREAS, The Flatlands-Flatbush community prides itself on its uniqueness, artistry and cultural diversity; the Flatlands Food and Fitness Festival will offer high-quality food and fitness entertainment

that will revitalized and enrich the entire community's experience; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commemorate those events of health and wellness significance which add strength, vigor and inspiration to the cultural diversity and quality of life in the communities of the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Haitian-American Community Coalition and Flatlands Reformed Community Center upon the occasion of hosting the Flatlands Food and Fitness Festival; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Haitian-American Community Coalition and Flatlands Reformed Community Center.