BY: Senator MYRIE

COMMENDING the Chinese-American Planning Council upon the occasion of celebrating its 55th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 Chinese-American Planning Council upon the occasion of celebrating its 55th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1965, the Chinese-American Planning Council is the country's largest Asian American social services organization, serving over 60,000 individuals and families striving to reach education, family, community and career goals; and

WHEREAS, The Chinese-American Planning Council offers 50 high-quality programs at 35 locations in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens; through these valuable services, the Council strives to empower Asian American, immigrant, and low-income communities in New York City by ensuring they have equitable access to the resources and opportunities needed to survive and prosper in a variety of areas, including education, family support, and community and economic development; and

WHEREAS, For the past 55 years, the Chinese-American Planning Council has diligently worked to encourage all New Yorkers to become agents of positive change in their own lives and in their communities across New York City and New York State as a whole; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Chinese-American Planning Council is in direct correlation to the efforts of its President and CEO Wayne Ho, and his staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Chinese-American Planning Council upon the occasion of celebrating its 55th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Wayne Ho, President and CEO, Chinese-American Planning Council.