

BY: Senator COMRIE

HONORING Aleesia Abraham upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the BLAQUE Resource Network on August 15, 2020

WHEREAS, The unity of our State and Nation is built upon the compassion of individuals such as Aleesia Abraham who uphold the values of community life and who, through their great actions, epitomize the best of humanity; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Aleesia Abraham upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the BLAQUE Resource Network at its First Anniversary Gala on Saturday, August 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, As founder and director of Prototype Music, Aleesia Abraham works tirelessly to ensure each show produced, from its premier annual event, the Queens Youth Music Festival, to local talent shows, is an assortment of creativity, exciting performance, and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Queens, New York to Caribbean parents, Aleesia Abraham began her illustrious career as a singer and songwriter; her artistic ability, infectious energy, and organizational skills first attracted the attention of producers and managers all over Queens; she then found herself hosting panels, seminars, and networking events for Sony Music, MTV, and Imagem; and

WHEREAS, Combining her artistic knowledge with a trial-by-fire industry experience, Aleesia Abraham is determined to create an avenue for young talent from Queens to reach their highest potential with proper guidance, care, and mentorship; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous direction of Aleesia Abraham, Prototype Music and the Queens Youth Music Festival continues to grow, providing both positivity and tremendous opportunities to local children from underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to her community, Aleesia Abraham is a long-time active member of both the Eastern Queens Alliance and The Merchants Association of Rosedale; in this capacity, she works with the local non-profit organization Homes for Homeless to provide regular youth music workshops to youth living in the Saratoga Family Inn; and

WHEREAS, A caring, competent and committed leader, Aleesia Abraham's character and integrity are the hallmarks of her life and work as a mentor, a community volunteer and as a person; and

WHEREAS, The Queens community is indeed fortunate and blessed to have such a dedicated and respected leader; her wisdom and contributions

reach countless children, truly making a difference in their lives; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Alecia Abraham has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Alecia Abraham, that future generations may know and appreciate her admirable character, her many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which she is held by her peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Alecia Abraham upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the BLAQUE Resource Network, and to wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alecia Abraham.