

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING Kids Who Bank upon the occasion of hosting its 2nd Annual Kidpreneur Awards Gala Shades of Africa, and paying tribute to the 2019 honorees

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Kids Who Bank upon the occasion of hosting its 2nd Annual Kidpreneur Awards Gala Shades of Africa to be celebrated Sunday, April 7, 2019, at SVA Theatre, New York, New York, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees; and

WHEREAS, Founded by Jatali Bellanton, Kids Who Bank is an organization which addresses everyday functionalities such as balancing a checkbook, budgeting, wants versus needs, credit scores, and more in a story format, as well as through outreach; and

WHEREAS, Kids Who Bank also connects an international community of professionals who encourage youth while giving them additional knowledge and the tools they need to flourish; and

WHEREAS, Kids Who Bank is proud to pay tribute to the 2019 honorees: Kayla Jackson and Chisa Erbele, Nadia Lopez, Jr. Flip Kids, J. Alexander Martin, Elijah Cruz, Quardoan Allen-Lewis, Wynter Hubbard, Aiden Garcia, Raval Davis, Demarjay Smith, Destiny Harris, Sabrina Abraham, Brown Boys Lemonade, Fabiola Jean, Blacka Di Danca, and Sakinah Bates; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which these honorees have displayed throughout their lives; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, Kids Who Bank honor youth who are entrepreneurs and philanthropists as well as adults who have created paths for them; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Kids Who Bank upon the occasion of hosting its 2nd Annual Kidpreneur Awards Gala Shades of Africa, and paying tribute to the 2019 honorees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Kids Who Bank Founder Jatali Bellanton, and the 2019
aforementioned honorees.