BY: Senator COMRIE

commending the Tuskegee National Alumni Association, Long Island Branch upon the occasion of hosting the 20th Biennial Convention from August 12-14, 2022

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Tuskegee National Alumni Association, Long Island Branch upon the occasion of hosting the 20th Biennial Convention, to be held virtually from August 12-14, 2022; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the 20th Biennial Convention of the Tuskegee National Alumni Association is for dedicated alumni and friends to engage in sessions designed to increase their capacity to support Tuskegee University, alumni and students and to establish an agenda for the future; and

WHEREAS, This year's theme, "Conquering Challenges to Maintain our Legacy," perfectly encapsulates this goal; and

WHEREAS, The association was formed to promote the ideals of Tuskegee University and its illustrious founder, Booker T. Washington; encourage and assist students, graduates, and former students towards higher development of character and service to mankind; and to foster unity of purposes through an organized structure of regional organizations, state councils, and local clubs; and

WHEREAS, This vital organization also provides financial support to the University, and offers scholarships, youth programs and many other initiatives which are involved with community engagement; and

WHEREAS, Founded on July 6, 1947, the Long Island Branch proudly adheres to the Tuskegee National Alumni Association's ideals and through its support of the University, it has truly made a difference in innumerable lives; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Tuskegee National Alumni Association, Long Island Branch is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, 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 when

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 the Tuskegee National Alumni Association, Long Island Branch upon the occasion of hosting the 20th Biennial National Convention; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Tuskegee National Alumni Association, Long Island Branch.