Assembly Resolution No. 2155

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COMMEMORATING the 50th Anniversary of Tracey Towers

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to residential housing, as it is the foundation of communities for citizens to seek comfort in and safety, while also building a neighborhood that welcomes diversity; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Tracey Towers; and

WHEREAS, Residing in the Norwood section of The Bronx, Tracey Towers are twin 400 feet residential towers that were built as a result of the Mitchell-Lama program and opened in 1974; and

WHEREAS, Among the tallest in the borough with 871 units, Tracey Towers was designed by the notable architect Paul Rudolph; he harnessed a futuristic approach to the design, helping the towers stand out not just in height, but in design, from the square and rectangular buildings of the area; and

WHEREAS, Today, the residents of Tracey Towers represent African American, Ghanaian, Caribbean, Hispanic, Nigerian, and Caucasian cultures and continue to be a beacon of the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, The Tracey Towers Tenant Organization arranges multiple events that benefit the community each year, including turkey giveaways, school supply giveaways, movie nights, and health fairs; and

WHEREAS, Access to quality housing is the foundation for achieving better educational, employment, and health outcomes, as well as one of the most important ways that families build wealth that they can pass along across the generations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Tracey Towers; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tracey Towers.