

BY: Senator PARKER

HONORING Nicola Madden-Greig upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards 20th Anniversary Gala on February 26, 2025

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to honor those individuals and organizations which devote their purposeful energies to improve the dignity and quality of life of those they serve, preserve their heritage, and foster pride among them; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Nicola Madden-Greig upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards 20th Anniversary Gala at Terrace on the Park in Queens, New York, on Wednesday, February 26, 2025; and

WHEREAS, In 2006, the Young, Gifted, & Black (YGB) Entrepreneurial Awards were established by Carl Gray as a platform to spotlight and celebrate everyday individuals who serve as positive role models, inspiring their peers through their accomplishments, perseverance, and contributions; and

WHEREAS, Carl Gray's vision for the YGB Entrepreneurial Awards has remained steadfast in ensuring recognition is given to those whose contributions, though not always highlighted in mainstream media, have a profound and lasting influence within their fields and society; and

WHEREAS, Nicola Madden-Greig is a veteran of the tourism industry with more than 20 years of experience in airline travel, cruise lines, attractions, hotels, and resorts; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Convent of Mercy Academy (Alpha), Nicola Madden-Greig is also a recipient of a Bachelor's in Hospitality and Tourism Management degree, with honors, from Florida International University and an Executive Master's in Business Administration degree from the University of the West Indies Mona School of Business and Management; and

WHEREAS, Nicola Madden-Greig serves in a leadership role for the Courtleigh Hospitality Group; additionally, she is President of the Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA) and is a Member of various boards in Jamaica's tourism industry; she has numerous positions and titles on her resume, both inside and outside the realm of hospitality; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those individuals and organizations, which give positive definition to the profile and disposition of the communities of the State of New York, profoundly strengthen our shared commitment to the exercise of freedom;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Nicola Madden-Greig upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Young, Gifted, & Black Entrepreneurial Awards 20th Anniversary Gala on February 26, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nicola Madden-Greig.