

**BY:** Senator PARKER

**HONORING** Kenneth Reece upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition at the Young, Gifted, and Black Entrepreneurial Awards 20th Anniversary Gala on February 26, 2025

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to honor those enduring individuals and organizations which devote their purposeful energies to improving the quality and dignity of life of those they serve, to preserving their heritage, and to fostering 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 Kenneth Reece upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition at the Young, Gifted, and Black Entrepreneurial Awards 20th Anniversary Gala on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, at Terrace on the Park, Queens, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** The Young, Gifted, & Black (YGB) Entrepreneurial Awards were established in 2006 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,** Kenneth Reece is the Chairman and CEO of BloxX Financial, a diversified conglomerate with a focus on emerging markets; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2021, BloxX purchased Solareum, which is part of Start-Up NY, New York State's flagship program to help new and expanding businesses through tax-based incentives and innovative academic partnerships; and

**WHEREAS,** Kenneth Reece has spoken at the United Nations Youth Assembly on Renewable Energy and Technology, and chaired a panel and participated in Climate Week NYC through America Green in Climate Week NYC sponsored by The Climate Group; and

**WHEREAS,** Furthermore, he has contributed as a speaker and panelist at the Artificial Intelligence and Blockchain Conference, World Cannabiz Summit, THC2020, and Boston Venture Day; he also attend World Economic Forum on Renewable Energy in Davos, Switzerland; and

**WHEREAS,** Kenneth Reece is the co-founder of America Green Solar (AGS), a company that specializes in providing solar energy solutions, including the installation of solar panels for residential, commercial,

and industrial customers; and

**WHEREAS,** Under the able leadership of Kenneth Reece, AGS aims to help reduce energy costs by utilizing renewable energy sources and promoting sustainability; 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, do so 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 Kenneth Reece upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition at the Young, Gifted, and Black Entrepreneurial Awards 20th Anniversary Gala on Wednesday, February 26, 2025; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kenneth Reece.