Senate Resolution No. 415

BY: Senator PARKER

HONORING Pastor Geraldine Felix upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Visionary Awards Gala on March 9, 2025

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor individuals whose faith, leadership, and service have uplifted communities and inspired generations; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Pastor Geraldine Felix upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Visionary Awards Gala, to be held on Sunday, March 9, 2025, in celebration of Women's History Month under the theme "Women of Destiny"; and

WHEREAS, Born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, in 1962, Geraldine Felix was drawn to a life of faith and prayer from an early age, beginning her spiritual journey at just nine years old, when she would ascend the mountains to pray; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 13, Geraldine Felix immigrated to the United States, where she overcame the challenges of adapting to a new country while excelling in her education, attending Andries Hudde Middle School, Midwood High School, and CUNY City College; and

WHEREAS, In 1982, at a prayer meeting, Geraldine Felix experienced a divine encounter that led her to fully surrender to her faith and answer the call to evangelism, sharing the Gospel throughout Brooklyn's streets, public buses, and trains, and serving in Remsen Church of God; and

WHEREAS, Geraldine Felix's unwavering devotion led her to Boston, where she earned a degree from the School of Architecture while continuing her spiritual work; recognizing a spiritual void in New Hampshire, she established a prayer group that flourished into a church, laying the foundation for a lifetime of ministry; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Pastor Geraldine Felix married Reverend Joseph N. Felix, and together, they built a life centered on faith, family, and service, raising their three children-Kestia, Daniella, and Benjamin-while establishing a church in Manchester, New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, Returning to Brooklyn in 1998, the couple founded a new church, initially located on Snyder Avenue and Church Avenue, before moving to its current location on Flatbush Avenue, where Pastor Geraldine Felix has faithfully served in ministry for over 25 years as a First Lady, mentor, and intercessor; and

WHEREAS, In 2022, Pastor Geraldine Felix earned a degree in theology

from MKI University, further deepening her commitment to spiritual scholarship and service; in 2023, she celebrated her 60th birthday at El

Caribe in Brooklyn, a milestone marked by her ordination as a pastor by her husband; and

WHEREAS, Known as a "Prayer Warrior", Pastor Geraldine Felix embodies the scripture "Pray without ceasing," living a life of unwavering faith, devotion, and action; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Geraldine Felix's ministerial journey has extended beyond the United States, with missions in Boston, Haiti, and the Dominican Republic, spreading the message of hope, faith, and perseverance across borders; and

WHEREAS, Pastor Geraldine Felix's dedication to faith, service, and leadership serves as an enduring testament to the power of prayer and the impact of a life committed to uplifting others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Pastor Geraldine Felix upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Visionary Awards Gala, commending her for her profound contributions to ministry and community service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Pastor Geraldine Felix.