

Assembly Resolution No. 1000

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HONORING Dr. Farnaz Tamari upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Visionary Awards Gala on March 22, 2026

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those extraordinary individuals whose humanitarian service, visionary leadership, and global advocacy reflect the enduring principles of justice, equality, and peace championed by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Farnaz Tamari upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Visionary Awards Gala on Sunday, March 22, 2026, at Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Farnaz Tamari is a distinguished Dental Director and clinician whose career has been defined by her steadfast commitment to expanding access to oral healthcare and improving the quality of life for underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, In her current role at the Building Service 32BJ Benefit Funds, Dr. Farnaz Tamari leads operations for one of New York City's largest and most impactful dental centers, managing a multidisciplinary team of more than 80 professionals and spearheading a transformative expansion that includes 29 new operatories and a full-service dental laboratory, thereby establishing the facility as one of the City's premier destinations for comprehensive dental care; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Farnaz Tamari previously served with distinction as Dental Director at The Mount Sinai Hospital and The Institute for Family Health, where she held faculty appointments in the Departments of Dentistry and Family Medicine, contributing to the advancement of academic scholarship and the training of future healthcare professionals through her published studies; and

WHEREAS, Her earlier service in Federally Qualified Health Centers and school-based health systems further strengthened her lifelong dedication to health equity and the delivery of compassionate, patient-centered care to communities most in need; and

WHEREAS, A recipient of multiple academic scholarships, Dr. Farnaz Tamari earned her Bachelor of Science degree from York University, her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from University of Toronto, and completed her General Practice Residency at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx, preparing her for a career marked by excellence in clinical practice and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Beyond her clinical and administrative accomplishments, Dr. Farnaz Tamari is the co-owner of the Home Health Aide Training Institute with Dr. Maria Santiago, an innovative initiative dedicated to addressing the national shortage of healthcare workers by expanding to new locations and incorporating robotics and modern training technologies to prepare a new generation of skilled caregivers; and

WHEREAS, Service and community leadership have always been central to Dr. Farnaz Tamari's life; as an active volunteer with Chabad of Lake Success, she organizes educational, outreach, and fundraising initiatives that strengthen families and foster meaningful connection throughout her community; and

WHEREAS, Born in Iran, Dr. Farnaz Tamari and her family fled persecution and resettled in Canada, supported by Jewish Immigrant Aid Services and sustained by the extraordinary resilience of her mother and her brother, Dr. Farshad Tamari, with whom she is a co-inventor; and

WHEREAS, The courage and perseverance forged through her family's journey have profoundly shaped Dr. Farnaz Tamari's values, inspiring her lifelong dedication to equity, opportunity, and service to others; and

WHEREAS, Through her visionary leadership in healthcare, her unwavering advocacy for underserved populations, and her steadfast commitment to community empowerment, Dr. Farnaz Tamari embodies the principles of justice, compassion, and service so eloquently advanced by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Farnaz Tamari has displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Farnaz Tamari upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Visionary Awards Gala on March 22, 2026; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Farnaz Tamari.