Assembly Resolution No. 1001

**BY:** M. of A. Cook

**HONORING** Reverend Dr. Jasseth M. Cox 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 Reverend Dr. Jasseth M. Cox 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,** For 40 years, Rev. Dr. Jasseth M. Cox has served in ministry alongside her husband, The Hon. Reverend Dr. Joshua Cox, Senior Pastor of The Queens Church of the Firstborn Inc. in Laurelton, Queens, New York, where they have built an enduring legacy of faith; and

**WHEREAS,** A graduate of John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Rev. Dr. Jasseth M. Cox holds a master's degree in social work; her expertise spans education, counseling, and workshop facilitation, where she specializes in guiding men, women, and youth through life's most difficult transitions; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to her academic and spiritual pursuits, Rev. Dr. Jasseth M. Cox served with distinction in the Nassau County Police Department for 30 years; rising to the rank of Detective in 2012, she served in the First and Seventh Squads, the Missing Persons Squad, and the Central Detective Squad, eventually concluding her decorated career as a Polygraph Detective; and

**WHEREAS,** Rev. Dr. Jasseth M. Cox is the visionary founder of "WOMEN ABLAZE" at her church; this ministry was birthed to promote unity, sisterhood, and the mandate for women to "Bloom where they are planted"; through monthly sessions, she provides the emotional support, spiritual guidance, and biblical truth necessary to help women transition from victims to victors; and

**WHEREAS,** Rev. Dr. Jasseth M. Cox is known for her profound insight into the human experience and is recognized for her ability to translate her leadership across community, national, and international sectors; and

**WHEREAS,** Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Rev. Dr. Jasseth M. Cox has

displayed throughout her life; now, therefore, be it

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

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Reverend Dr. Jasseth M. Cox.