

**BY:** M. of A. Stern

**COMMEMORATING** the 100th Anniversary of the  
Huntington Assembly of God

**WHEREAS,** Religious institutions and the many spiritual, social, and educational benefits they confer play a vital role in the development of the moral fabric of a responsible citizenry; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the tradition of this State and this Nation to pay tribute to those institutions and individuals who have contributed to the ethical and spiritual values of their communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Huntington Assembly of God; and

**WHEREAS,** The Huntington Assembly of God is led by Pastors Dan and Damaris Rivera; through their compassionate, dedicated leadership, the congregation serves as a spiritual home guided by the mission to love and serve every community, every culture, and every corner; and

**WHEREAS,** The Huntington Assembly of God reaches and uplifts the most vulnerable in its community; the congregation provides meals, resources, and clothing every month to homeless individuals, and essential resources to mothers and children under five years old; the congregation partners with the Helping Hand Rescue Mission to amplify the impact, ensuring that all community members have access to the services they need; and

**WHEREAS,** The Huntington Assembly of God has an expansive outreach program, serving the greater Huntington community; the Lifeline Food Pantry, Backpack Giveaway, and Thanksgiving Harvest Dinners provide vital resources and services, as well as sense of safety and belonging; every year, the congregation serves over 10,000 pounds of food items from their pantry; and

**WHEREAS,** The Huntington Assembly of God empowers children and teens across its community; the Station After-School Program and Sports Week sports camp build confidence and leadership skills, and provide a productive, valuable outlet for students outside of their school activities; Forward Youth, Huntington Kids, and the Young Adult Growth Group further provide positive, uplifting environments for our next generation; and

**WHEREAS,** The Huntington Assembly of God hosts support groups for men, women, and seniors, with the mission to create spaces of shared understanding across meals, events, and programs; the Growth Groups allow neighbors to share the burdens and challenges they are facing, while building support and friendship; and

**WHEREAS,** The Huntington Assembly of God is the cornerstone of our

community, serving our most vulnerable, uplifting and empowering our next generation, and fostering a safe, welcoming environment for all of its congregants; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of enduring religious institutions and to bring such institutions to the attention of the people of this Empire State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Huntington Assembly of God, fully confident that this commemoration reflects the belief in those values which enhance the dignity and purpose of life; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Pastors Dan and Damaris Rivera, Huntington Assembly of God.