Assembly Resolution No. 532

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COMMENDING Kevin Livingston upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the National Council of Negro Women-Queens County Section on June 8, 2025

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Kevin Livingston upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the National Council of Negro Women-Queens County Section, to be celebrated at its 37th Annual Black and White Celebration of Honorees on Sunday, June 8, 2025, at Antun's in Queens Village, New York; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Livingston, a native of Jamaica, Queens, is the Founder and President of 100 Suits, a nonprofit organization that provides professional attire and critical resources to underserved individuals, empowering them to secure employment, housing, and dignity; and

WHEREAS, Inspired by childhood memories of feeling confident and valued when wearing a suit, Kevin Livingston turned a personal experience into a movement that has helped thousands of men-particularly those reentering society after incarceration-feel seen, respected, and prepared for opportunity; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Livingston founded 100 Suits in 2010 and has since expanded the organization's mission to address unemployment, homelessness, mental health, and gun violence, including establishing 100 Suits as a Cure Violence site within NYC's Crisis Management System; and

WHEREAS, A committed community leader, Kevin Livingston has developed and led innovative programming at Rikers Island, organized food delivery and financial literacy services for seniors, and continues to offer case management and therapeutic services for vulnerable populations across New York City; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Livingston's leadership has resulted in the opening of multiple 100 Suits locations throughout Queens, with plans to expand into Brooklyn, affirming his vision of systemic, citywide support for underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Widely recognized for his advocacy and impact, Kevin Livingston has been featured in numerous prominent media outlets-including The New York Times, CNN, Essence, TMZ, and The Steve Harvey Show-and has collaborated with figures from the worlds of sports,

entertainment, fashion, and government; and

WHEREAS, As a father of three and grandfather of seven, Kevin Livingston continues to pour into his community with dedication, compassion, and a commitment to equity, building a legacy that uplifts Black men and strengthens the fabric of Southeast Queens and beyond; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Kevin Livingston upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the National Council of Negro Women-Queens County Section; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kevin Livingston.