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COMMENDING Churches United for Fair Housing upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Gala on December 9, 2025

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those organizations that work tirelessly to address critical issues affecting the people of the State of New York, and whose efforts contribute to the creation of a more just and equitable society; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Churches United for Fair Housing upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Gala, "Celebrating 16 Years," to be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, at Weylin in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Churches United for Fair Housing (CUFFH) is a grassroots advocacy organization rooted in faith and community spaces, working at the intersection of housing justice, immigration rights, social equity, and economic empowerment; and

WHEREAS, Since its founding, CUFFH has remained deeply committed to preventing displacement and advocating for truly affordable housing across New York City's five boroughs, with a particular focus on serving working-class, immigrant, and BIPOC communities; and

WHEREAS, Through its robust network of churches and community partners, CUFFH has cultivated a movement of over 20,000 members, advancing civic engagement, direct services, and long-term organizing strategies to generate systemic change; and

WHEREAS, The CUFFH Annual Gala serves as a powerful and inspiring gathering that honors the strength, resilience, and collective work of community members, grassroots organizers, elected officials, and religious leaders united in the fight for housing justice; and

WHEREAS, This year's celebration commemorates 16 years of dedicated service, during which CUFFH has expanded its reach, strengthened its organizing initiatives, and created new avenues for community power, especially since relocating to its current home; and

WHEREAS, CUFFH continues to serve as a beacon of hope and action, demonstrating the transformative possibilities that arise when faith, community, and justice converge; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Churches United for Fair Housing upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Gala on December 9, 2025, and to extend its deepest appreciation for its unwavering commitment to social and economic justice in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Churches United for Fair Housing.