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9	ALBANY, NEW YORK
10	March 12, 2013
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14	REGULAR SESSION
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18	SENATOR DIANE SAVINO, Acting President
19	FRANCIS W. PATIENCE, Secretary
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PROCEEDINGS 1 2 ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: The Senate will please come to order. 3 4 I ask all those present to please 5 rise with me and say the Pledge of Allegiance. (Whereupon, the assemblage recited 6 7 the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.) 8 ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Today's invocation will be delivered by Pastor Eduardo 9 10 Cordova, of Iglesia Evangelica Garifuna in 11 Brooklyn. 12 PASTOR CORDOVA: Let's remain standing and pray to the Almighty God. 13 14 Heavenly Father Who art in heaven, 15 hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come. Father, we have come to this moment to this house, 16 giving You the praise and honor due to Your name 17 18 because You are the wonderful Counselor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father. 19 20 Gracious Lord, we know everyone 21 here this evening are part of Your kingdom, 22 instituting the government of this world. pray, representing all of these Senators and 23 legislators, all of those that have been 24 25 appointed to serve You in this community, that

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     the purpose of God may be accomplished in each
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     one of them.
                  We pray, Father, that might we
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     flourish in the land of the brave, that we might
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     continue to enjoy prosperity and peace
     throughout the land of America.
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                  Gracious God, bless the efforts of
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     those that are here. Bless everyone, bless
     again all the people. And may this very
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     evening, Father, be memorable throughout our
     life, that we remember we were here to see and
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     hear ourself how the government is run.
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                  Right now we commit ourselves unto
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     Your hands, unto Your sheltering hands, that
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     everything that we do, say, or think might be
     for Your glory and Your honor, because You are
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     deserving praise.
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                  {Invocation in Garifuna.}
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                  Thank you.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                  (Applause from gallery.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     of the Journal.
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                  THE SECRETARY:
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     March 11th, the Senate met pursuant to
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     adjournment. The Journal of Sunday, March 10th,
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     was read and approved. On motion, Senate
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     adjourned.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     objection, the Journal stands approved as read.
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                  Presentation of petitions.
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                  Messages from the Assembly.
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                  Messages from the Governor.
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                  Reports of standing committees.
                  Reports of select committees.
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                  Communications and reports from
     state officers.
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                  Motions and resolutions.
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                  Senator Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS:
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     Madam President.
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                  Could we please adopt the
     Resolution Calendar with the exception of
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     Resolutions 764, 779, and 790.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     favor of adopting the Resolution Calendar with
     the exception of Resolutions 764, 779, and 790
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     signify by saying aye.
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                  (Response of "Aye.")
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Opposed,
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     nay.
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                  (No response.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     Resolution Calendar is adopted.
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                  Senator Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS:
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     Madam President.
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                  I believe there's a resolution by
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     Senator Stewart-Cousins, Number 779, at the
     desk. I ask that the resolution be read in its
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     entirety and move for its immediate adoption.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     Secretary will read.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Legislative
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     Resolution Number 779, by Senator
     Stewart-Cousins, memorializing Governor Andrew
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     M. Cuomo to proclaim March 2013 as Women's
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     History Month in the State of New York
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                  "WHEREAS, March is Women's History
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     Month; and
                  "WHEREAS, March 8th is International
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     Women's Day; and
                  "WHEREAS, Each year New York State
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     officially sets aside time to recognize the
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1 unique contributions that women have made to 2 New York and its society; and 3 "WHEREAS, New York State has a 4 distinguished history of monumental achievements 5 in the area of women's rights; and "WHEREAS, In 1826, New York State 6 7 opened one of the first public high schools for 8 girls, resulting in a future for women in which they were no longer confined to the home, a 9 10 future in which they were educated and able to use this education to better their social and 11 economic status; and 12 13 "WHEREAS, In 1848 in New York, the 14 first women's rights convention was held at 15 Seneca Falls to secure for all women the right to 16 vote; and "WHEREAS, In 1903, The Women's Trade 17 18 Union League of New York was formed to represent 19 working women, later becoming the nucleus for the 20 International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union; and 21 "WHEREAS, In 1918, one year after 22 New York guaranteed women the right to vote in 23 all elections, the first two women, Ida Sammis and Mary Lilly, were elected to the New York 24 25 State Legislature; and

"WHEREAS, In 1967, Muriel Siebert 1 2 became the first woman to own a seat on the 3 New York Stock Exchange, opening the door for 4 women to gain positions of greater economic 5 power; and "WHEREAS, In 1970, New York City was 6 7 the site of the first Women's Strike for 8 Equality, in which 50,000 people marched for 9 equal rights; and 10 "WHEREAS, In 1968, New York State Assemblywoman Shirley Chisholm became the first 11 12 black woman elected to Congress, and in 1972, she ran for President of the United States, another 13 first for black women; and 14 15 "WHEREAS, In 1983, New York State women legislators established the Legislative 16 Women's Caucus to improve the participation of 17 18 women in all areas of government, support issues 19 that benefit women and provide a network of 20 support for women in the State Legislature; and 21 "WHEREAS, New York has been the home 22 of many extraordinary women who have led society 23 to a better future. Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony led the campaign for women's 24 25 suffrage; Sojourner Truth spoke out for the

abolition of slavery and for suffrage for women; 1 2 suffragist Carrie Chapman Catt became the first 3 president of the League of Women Voters; Emma 4 Willard opened the first endowed institution for 5 the education of women; Civil War surgeon Dr. Mary E. Walker was the only woman ever 6 7 awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor; Harriet Tubman was an abolitionist who led slaves 8 to freedom by way of the Underground Railroad. 9 10 In the 19th century, Elizabeth Blackwell and Belva Lockwood were the first women in the fields 11 of medicine and law; pioneer birth control 12 educator and advocate Margaret Sanger established 13 14 a research center in New York City; Emma Goldman 15 founded the Free Speech League, which led to the 16 American Civil Liberties Union; humanitarian Eleanor Roosevelt served as United States 17 18 Delegate to the United Nations; civil rights 19 lawyer and New York State Senator Constance Baker 20 Motley became the first black woman to sit on the 21 U.S. District Court in New York; and so many more 22 known and unknown women who championed rights and opportunity for all; and 23 "WHEREAS, New York State has hosted 24 25 many conventions, campaigns and events of the

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women's rights movement, from the 1848 convention
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     at Seneca Falls to the 1999 Berkshire Conference
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     of Women Historians, which was held to improve
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     the status of women in history and in the
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     historical professions; and
                  "WHEREAS, Today, 47 women serve in
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     the New York State Legislature, holding
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     leadership positions in both houses and bringing
     the diverse experiences of women into law and
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     public policy; now, therefore, be it
                  "RESOLVED, That this Legislative
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     Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize
     Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim March 2013
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     as Women's History Month in the State of
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     New York; and be it further
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                  "RESOLVED, That copies of this
     resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted
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     to the Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the
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     State of New York, and to the Legislative Women's
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     Caucus of New York State."
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     Krueger.
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                  SENATOR KRUEGER:
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     Madam President.
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                  I rise to speak on behalf of this
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resolution today which commemorates Women's 1 History Month -- March -- and International 2 3 Women's Day, and to speak on what this resolution 4 means to me. 5 This resolution that we just heard recounts some of the monumental achievements 6 7 women have made in New York State's history -achievements for our state, for our country, and 8 our society as whole. And they have been 9 10 monumental. Some extraordinary women have blazed 11 the trail for me, including my friend Andrea 12 Stewart-Cousins, who's the first woman leader of 13 14 any conference in the New York State Legislature, 15 and for our fellow women legislators and all of New York's women. 16 But we have much left to do. 17 18 Consider: This resolution recognizes the Women's Trade Union League of New York, formed in 1903, 19 20 which became the nucleus of the International Ladies' Garment Worker's Union and helped advance 21 the cause of fairness and economic justice at 22 work. They blazed a trail. 23 This resolution also references the 24

Women's Strike for Equality in 1970, in which

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50,000 people marched for equal rights. And yet women still make an average of 80 cents or less for every dollar earned by men in New York. The work's not done.

This resolution recognizes Muriel
Siebert, the first woman to own a seat on the
New York Stock Exchange, breaking through a
crucial barrier and opening new opportunities for
women to gain positions of power and
responsibility in our business community. But
women are still disproportionately represented in
lower-wage jobs, and even today women still face
harassment in the workplace, often without
effective recourse under the laws of our state.

This resolution recognizes the women's suffrage movement in New York, and its leaders, as well as the election and service of Ida Sammis and Mary Lilly, the first two women elected to the New York State Legislature. But today, more than nine decades later, women make up less than a quarter of the State Legislature and less than 16 percent of the New York State Senate.

It is clear from the proud achievements and watershed moments recounted in

this resolution that we in New York State have a heritage and a tradition of action and involvement in the march towards equality. But it's equally clear that we have more work to do. Women's History Month, International Women's Day, and other moments that we take to recognize these achievements aren't just about looking backward to what we've accomplished. They're about looking at our present and recognizing the extraordinary achievements we're commemorating today, that they are incomplete; our work is not done.

We still need to achieve pay equity for women and eliminate the unjustifiably wide wage gap in our society. We still need to end sexual harassment in all workplaces. We still need to strengthen human trafficking laws to protect the women who are disproportionately the victims of this horrible international trade. We still need to end family-status discrimination and source-of-income discrimination.

We still need to stop housing discrimination for victims of domestic violence. We still need to stop discrimination against pregnant women once and for all. We still need

1 to strengthen our laws to protect victims of 2 domestic violence, to assure that our courts and 3 our police will be there to protect women and 4 children from too disproportionate an impact of 5 violence in their lives. And we still need to protect women's 6 7 rights to make decisions about their healthcare 8 and their bodies by decisions made with their families and their physicians, not government 9 10 deciding for them. 11 And so our society has made 12 tremendous progress, and today in this house we are recognizing New York's major contributions to 13 14 this progress. But hopefully today we also 15 recognize, as our Governor, Andrew Cuomo has, 16 that the work is not done. And when we have passed this budget, I hope we will turn our 17 18 attention directly to enacting Governor Cuomo's women's equality agenda and getting that much 19 20 closer to finishing the work set out for us. 21 Thank you very much, Madam President. 22 ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Thank 23 you, Senator Krueger. 24 25 Are there any other members wishing

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to be heard on the resolution?
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                  Seeing none, the question is on the
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     resolution.
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                  (Response of "Aye.")
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     resolution is adopted.
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                  Senator Libous.
                  SENATOR LIBOUS:
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     Madam President.
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                  There's a previously adopted
     resolution by Senator Diaz, Number 713, at the
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     desk. And I ask that we read it in its entirety
     and call on Senator Diaz.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     Secretary will read.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Legislative
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     Resolution Number 713, by Senator Diaz,
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     memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to declare
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     March 11, 2013, to April 12, 2013, as
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     Garifuna-American Heritage Month in the State of
     New York.
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                  "WHEREAS, It is the sense of this
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Legislative Body to recognize and pay just 1 2 tribute to the cultural heritage of the ethnic groups which comprise and contribute to the 3 4 richness and diversity of the community of the State of New York; and 5 "WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, 6 7 and in keeping with its time-honored traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to 8 9 applaud and commemorate events which foster 10 ethnic pride and exemplify the cultural diversity 11 that represents and strengthens the spirit of the 12 people and the State of New York; and "WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is 13 14 justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. 15 Cuomo to declare March 11, 2013, to April 12, 2013, as Garifuna-American Heritage Month in the 16 State of New York; and 17 18 "WHEREAS, Garifuna-American Heritage Month celebrates the great contributions of 19 20 Garifuna-Americans to the fabric of New York, and 21 pays tribute to the common culture and bonds of friendship that united the United States and the 22 Garifuna countries; and 23 "WHEREAS, Garifuna-American Heritage 24 25 Month affirms the culture, identity and

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self-esteem of a people; it celebrates a rich
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     heritage and illuminates Garifuna history and
     tradition, as well as the spirit of an
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     indomitable people; and
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                  "WHEREAS, In 1665, two Spanish ships
     wrecked off the coast of Saint Vincent; and
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                  "WHEREAS, The West African slaves
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     that escaped to the island eventually
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     intermarried with the Venezuelan Caribs and the
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     Arawaks; and
                  "WHEREAS, The new race of people,
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     known as the Garifuna, grew strong and prosperous
     on the island; and
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                  "WHEREAS, In 1795, the Garifuna
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     began the Second Carib War against the British.
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     Battles raged throughout Saint Vincent over the
     next year, with both sides enduring heavy losses;
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     and
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                  "WHEREAS, On June 10, 1796, the
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     final battle commenced with the Garifuna and
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     British, resulting in the Garifuna's surrender;
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     and
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                  "WHEREAS, The surviving Caribs were
     exiled to the neighboring island of Balliceaux;
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                  "WHEREAS, On March 11, 1797, the
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     defeated Garifuna were loaded onto a convoy of
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     eight vessels and transported to Roatan,
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     Honduras, which arrived on April 12th of that
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     year; and
                  "WHEREAS, The Garifuna began to
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     migrate to the United States during the 1930s.
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     Today, New York City is home to the largest
     Garifuna community outside of Central America;
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     and
                  "WHEREAS, The nurturing and
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     promotion of Garifuna pride is at the center of
     the Garifuna coalition's community organizing
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     initiative, to create awareness and appreciation
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     of the Garifuna culture and its contribution to
     the culture and society of New York; and
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                  "WHEREAS, On May 18, 2001, the
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     United Nations Educational, Scientific and
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     Cultural Organization (UNESCO) proclaimed the
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     Garifuna language, dance and music as a
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     'Masterpiece of the Oral and Intangible Heritage
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     of Humanity'; and
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                  "WHEREAS, Garifuna-American Heritage
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     Month provides an opportunity to recognize the
     significance of their contributions to the
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quality and character of life and, through many 1 events and activities throughout the month, for 2 3 all people to gain a greater appreciation of 4 Garifuna history and traditions, and of the role 5 Garifuna-Americans have played and will continue to play in our society; and 6 7 "WHEREAS, In 1823, William Henry Brown, the first American playwright of African 8 descent, wrote 'The Drama of King Shotaway,' 9 10 recognized as the first black drama of the American theater, which has as its subject the 11 1795 Black Caribs' (Garifuna's) defense of the 12 Island of Saint Vincent against colonization by 13 14 the British. Therefore, in its honor, the 15 New York Garifuna community proudly launches the Garifuna-American Decennial 2013-2023; and 16 "WHEREAS, Today, New Yorkers of 17 18 Garifuna heritage such as Sara Logan, Rosemary 19 Ordonez Jenkins, Mirtha Colon, Eleanor Cecelia 20 Castillo-Bullock, James Lovell, Rosita Alvarez, Carlos Gamboa, Paula Castillo, Martin Bermudez 21 22 and Jose Francisco Avila continue to recognize and honor the cultural practices of their 23 24 ancestors; now, therefore, be it 25 "RESOLVED, That this Legislative

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     Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to declare March 11,
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     2013, to April 12, 2013, as Garifuna-American
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     Heritage Month in the State of New York; and be
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     resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to
     the Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the
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     State of New York."
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                  SENATOR DIAZ:
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     Madam President.
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                  Ladies and gentlemen, today is a
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     very, very special day. Today I'm honored to be
     the sponsor of this resolution and the third
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     annual celebration of Garifuna Heritage Month
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     here in the New York State Senate.
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                  Today, Madam President and ladies
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     and gentlemen, I'm honored because I'm having the
     opportunity and the privilege granted to me by
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     the distinguished leader of the Senate Majority,
     the Honorable Senator Dean Skelos, the Secretary
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     of the Senate, Mr. Frank Patience, and the
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     members of this body. They have allowed me to
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introduce this resolution.

And I am so honored and privileged to have many members joining me as cosponsors of such an important resolution. Even
Assemblymember Marcos Crespo came all the way from the Assembly chamber to join us.

And I see Senator Rivera and I see Senator Serrano, of the six Hispanic Senators, here. I don't see the rest of them. But I appreciate their being here and joining me in welcoming the Garifuna community today.

Madam President and members of the Senate, ladies and gentlemen, I would like to welcome the delegation of more than 100 members of the Garifuna community who are sitting up there in the gallery and up here on this side. Welcome to the Senate.

(Applause from the gallery.)

SENATOR DIAZ: This delegation is being presided by Mr. Jose Francisco Avila, president of the Garifuna Coalition USA; the Reverend Eduardo Cordova, pastor of the Iglesia Evangelica Garifuna, who gave the invocation; and the Reverend Luis Lorenzo and Reverend Joel Bauza.

(Applause from the gallery.)

SENATOR DIAZ: Ladies and

gentlemen, it is important for you to know that the Garifuna community has been an integral part of New York City and especially of Bronx County for more than 80 years. The Garifunas have been coming to the United States of America in search of better lives since 1930. Their vitality, their talent, and their commitment constitute tremendous resources for our state and our city.

But, Madam President and ladies and gentlemen and my fellow Senators, you should know that it took a tragic incident, a fire, that took the lives of 87 people for the government institution to start paying attention to this great community. On March 25, 1990, a social club in the Bronx called the Happy Land was set on fire, causing the death of many people and inflicting tremendous pain and suffering to the rest of the Garifuna community throughout the State of New York and throughout the whole world.

Today, as the Senator representing the 32nd Senatorial District in Bronx County, it is an honor and a privilege for me to have this

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huge delegation of Garifuna joining us in the
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     Senate chamber today.
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                  In closing, Madam President,
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     Mr. President, again I would like to thank
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     Senator Dean Skelos and the Secretary of the
     Senate, Mr. Frank Patience, for allowing me this
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     great honor of celebrating this historic event in
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     the New York State Senate.
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                  To my colleagues, members of the
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     Senate and staff, I am inviting you to join us at
     the reception at 5:00, or when this finishes, in
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     the Meeting Room 2 and 3 to celebrate the
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     Garifuna Night.
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                  And to the Garifuna delegation,
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     thank you for accepting my invitation:
     Achúluruni. Seremein Bini-noun búnguío."
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                  (Cheers, applause from gallery.)
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                  SENATOR DIAZ:
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     am Senator Ruben Diaz, and this is what you
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     should know.
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                  (Laughter; cheers from gallery.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     you, Senator Diaz.
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                  Senator Rivera on the resolution.
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                  SENATOR RIVERA:
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Madam President.

I will disappoint no one here when I do not try to speak the Garifuna language. So I don't have anything written down, so I apologize that I do not have a phrase ready for you.

But I will say this. I am very happy when Senator Diaz brings you folks up here. It has been three years since I have been in the Senate and three years since I have seen you come from my district, most of you, up here to Albany.

As I remind folks when they come and visit me in my office, it is very easy for us to forget when we are surrounded by all these beautiful buildings, when we are surrounded by folks who are always trying to pull us in different directions, sometimes we forget who it is that we work for.

So I am very happy every time that folks that live in my district who I see on a daily basis come up and remind us a little bit why we do this to begin with.

I am very, very proud to be representing so many folks in the Garifuna community. I believe that when we're talking

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     about the greatness of New York State, certainly
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     the greatness of New York City and the greatness
     of the Bronx, it is about diversity. So when I
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     say that I represent the 33rd District, I can say
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     I represent African-Americans, Puerto Ricans,
     Dominicans, Mexicans. And I also represent a big
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     chunk of Garifuna.
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                  You are always growing, and you will
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     continue to be a very important part of who we
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     are in the Bronx and who are as a state.
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     borough, to our wonderful state.
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                  And I really wish that I had a
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     phrase that I would be able to say like "Garifuna
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     pa'lante" or something.
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                  (Cheers, applause from the gallery.)
                  SENATOR RIVERA:
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     and I know some of you know a little Spanish:
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     "Bienvenidos a Albany, Es un placer verlos y
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     espero verlos pronto en el Bronx."
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                  Thank you, Madam President.
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                  (Applause from the gallery.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     you, Senator Rivera.
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                  Senator Serrano on the resolution.
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1 SENATOR SERRANO: Thank you. 2 I'd like to thank Senator Diaz for once again bringing the Garifuna community here 3 4 to celebrate, for this Senate chamber to 5 celebrate and recognize this growing community. And I've been to an event that the 6 7 Senator had in the district in the Bronx where 8 there was a wonderful cultural celebration of the Garifuna community, the music and dance. And it 9 10 really is something that everyone should know 11 about. The cultural contributions of this 12 community, while it is an emerging community, the 13 cultural contributions are already huge. 14 15 is something that all of us should feel proud of. The diversity that we have in the Bronx and 16 throughout this state really speaks testament to 17 18 what the Garifuna community brings to the table. 19 So with that, I'll conclude and 20 thank the Senator and congratulate the wonderful 21 community for being here. 22 (Applause from the gallery.) ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: 23 Senator 24 Espaillat on the resolution. 25 SENATOR ESPAILLAT: Thank you,

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     Madam Speaker.
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                  I want to thank Senator Diaz. You
     know, the wonderful thing about Senator Diaz is
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     that one really never knows who he is. Right?
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     One day he's Puerto Rican --
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                  (Laughter.)
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                  SENATOR ESPAILLAT: -- today he's
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     Garifuna.
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                  (Laughter; cheers from the gallery.)
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                  SENATOR ESPAILLAT:
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     believe, deep inside my heart, that he's from
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     San Pedro de Macorís in the Dominican Republic.
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                  (Laughter.)
                  SENATOR ESPAILLAT:
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     thank Senator Diaz for bringing the Garifuna
     people here to Albany.
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                  And we know of your rich history.
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     And we know of your rich contributions to
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     Honduras, but and also to the United States and
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     particularly to the borough of the Bronx. And we
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     know that you are great New Yorkers and that you
     will continue to bring great things to this great
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     state. So I welcome you.
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     feels a little bit jealous today, because
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otherwise I will read about this in my
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     BlackBerry: "Buiti guñoun."
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                  (Applause, cheers from gallery.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     Adams on the resolution. Try and top that.
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                  (Laughter.)
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                  SENATOR ADAMS:
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     again also add my voice to thanking Senator
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     Diaz.
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                  Each year he brings this rich
     culture to Albany, and it's just our way of
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     saying that the State of New York has a welcome
     mat for all groups. This is your government as
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     well, and we're proud to have you here.
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                  Out of the 100 visitors from the
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     Garifuna community, Vilma, who is from my
     district. We're happy to have you here. So it's
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     not only the Bronx, the Brooklyn -- the Brooklyn
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     welcomes you. The Brooklyn welcomes you.
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                  (Applause from the gallery.)
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                  SENATOR ADAMS:
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     the future holds in 2014, we're going to welcome
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     you even more in the Borough of Brooklyn.
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                  Thank you very much
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                  (Applause from the gallery.)
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ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                  SENATOR DILAN:
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     Madam President. I just rise to congratulate
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     Senator Diaz for him raising the consciousness
     level regarding your rich culture.
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                  And I want to congratulate you. And
     I join Senator Adams in seeing you in Brooklyn
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     soon.
            Thank you.
10
                  (Applause from the gallery.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                              Senator
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     Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS:
                                    Madam President,
     before we continue -- and if there's other
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     speakers, I want them to -- I have to make a very
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     important announcement for a quarter of, because
     there's conference committee meetings and I need
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18
     to announce them. And then we can come back.
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                  So hold your enthusiasm, we're
     enjoying it, don't go away.
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                  At 3:45, if you're a member of
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     Public Protection, Criminal Justice or Judiciary,
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     you'll be meeting in Hearing Room A. At 3:45, if
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     you're on Environment, Agriculture or Housing,
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     you'll be meeting in Hearing Room B. At 3:45, if
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     you're on Higher Education, you'll be meeting in
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     Hearing Room C.
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                  At 4:45, Mental Hygiene in Hearing
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     Room A. At 4:45, Transportation in Hearing Room
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     B. At 4:45, Human Services and Labor in Hearing
     Room C.
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                  Today at 5 o'clock, General
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     Government/Local Assistance, Assembly Parlor.
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                  At 11 a.m. tomorrow, Economic
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     Development, Hearing Room A.; 11 a.m. tomorrow,
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     Health in Hearing Room B.; 11:30 a.m. tomorrow,
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     Education in Hearing Room C.
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                  If you're not in the chamber,
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     Rule 10 will work in your favor for your votes.
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                  And I apologize, Madam President.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                              Senator
     Farley.
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                  SENATOR FARLEY: Not to correct the
     deputy leader, but let me just say General
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     Government will be meeting at 5 o'clock in the
21
     Assembly Parlor.
                  SENATOR LIBOUS: General Government
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     will be meeting at 5 o'clock in the Assembly
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     Parlor. I stand corrected.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                              Thank
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1 you. 2 Senator Squadron on the resolution. SENATOR SQUADRON: 3 Thank you, Madam President. 4 5 Look, New York City and the Bronx are the place people from all over world come for 6 7 a new life and to be part of the greatest city on earth. And each one of you are part of that 8 9 great tradition. 10 And this chamber is the place where Senator Diaz brings the world to be celebrated 11 12 and have a little bit more fun than we normally do in the Legislature. 13 So to all of you, thank you for 14 15 being such a great part of the New York City community. It's because of communities like the 16 17 Garifuna community that we are as great a city as 18 we are. 19 And Senator Diaz, thank you for 20 making sure that nowhere in the state can we 21 forget it is a state built on diversity, on our immigrant experience, and on the greatest food 22 and dance and culture anywhere in the world. 23 So thank you all very much for being 24 25 here. Thank you.

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                  (Applause from gallery.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     you.
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                  Are there any other members wishing
     to be heard on the resolution?
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                  Seeing none, this resolution was
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 7
     previously adopted on March 7, 2013.
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                  And we would like to welcome
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     citizens of the Garifuna community here today to
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     the New York State Senate chamber. Welcome.
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                  (Applause.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                              Senator
     Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: Madam President, I
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     believe there's a resolution by Senator
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     Stewart-Cousins, Number 790, at the desk. I ask
     that you could read it in its entirety and then
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     move for its immediate adoption.
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                  And we will then go to another
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     resolution by Senator Stewart-Cousins, and then
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     she will speak.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     Secretary will read.
                  THE SECRETARY: Legislative
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     Resolution Number 790, by Senator
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     Stewart-Cousins, congratulating the New Rochelle
 2
     High School Varsity and Junior Varsity
 3
     Cheerleading Team upon the occasion of capturing
 4
     the 2013 National High School Cheerleading
 5
     Championship.
                  (Applause from the galleries.)
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                  THE SECRETARY:
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                                    "WHEREAS,
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     Excellence and success in competitive sports can
 9
     be achieved only through strenuous practice, team
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     play and team spirit, nurtured by dedicated
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     coaching and strategic planning; and
                  "WHEREAS, Athletic competition
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     enhances the moral and physical development of
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     the young people of this State, preparing them
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     for the future by instilling in them the value of
     teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy
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     living, imparting a desire for success and
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     developing a sense of fair play and competition;
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     and
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                  "WHEREAS, The New Rochelle High
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     School Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleading
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     Teams, the 'Dynamic Dozen,' captured the UCA
     National Cheerleading Championships in Orlando,
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     Florida, competing against hundreds of teams
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     throughout the United States; and
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"WHEREAS, The athletic talent 1 2 displayed by these teams is due in great part to the efforts of Coaches Chrissy Stanionis and 3 4 Elaina Edwards, skilled and inspirational 5 mentors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and 6 7 "WHEREAS, The teams' overall records were exceptional, and the team members were 8 9 loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, 10 fans, friends and the community at large; and "WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the 2013 11 12 New Rochelle High School Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleading Teams, from the opening of 13 14 the season to participation in the national 15 championship competition, were an extraordinary combination of athletic ability, of good 16 17 sportsmanship, of honor and of scholarship, 18 demonstrating that these team players are second to none; and 19 20 "WHEREAS, Athletically and 21 academically, the New Rochelle High School 22 Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleaders have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination 23 of talents, reflecting favorably on their school; 24 25 and

"WHEREAS, Coaches Chrissy Stanionis 1 2 and Elaina Edwards have done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the cheerleaders 3 4 toward their goals; and 5 "WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and 6 7 accomplishment, and Coaches Chrissy Stanionis and Elaina Edwards, and the 2013 New Rochelle High 8 School Varsity and Junior Varsity Cheerleading 9 10 Teams' outstanding athletes have clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is 11 12 a tradition of their school; now, therefore, be it 13 "RESOLVED, That this Legislative 14 15 Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the 2013 New Rochelle High School Varsity and 16 Junior Varsity Cheerleading Teams, their 17 18 members -- Varsity: Denitra Alexander, Ashley Codrington, Awa Dia, Ciera Ferrera, Taylor 19 20 Giacco, Tye Gomez, Kaiya Harrell, Janay Key, 21 Nadine Pabon, Courtney O'Connell, Alejandra Toro, Andrea Valencia, and Salina Webson; JV: 22 Allen, Kiemara Amos, Jillian Banks, Lauren Barry, 23 Kharisma Black, Alicia Bruno, Cybill Charles, 24 25 Alyssa Cimino, Dymond Crews, Saavedra Dessesaure,

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Erica Ferrara, Natice Jackson, Maria Jaramillo,
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     Brandee Martin, Marissa Miceli, Kayla Morrow,
     Diana Perez, Tiffany Povia, Andrea Restrepro,
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     Jessica Roberts, Essence Slater, and Adiya
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     Tiabo -- Coaches Chrissy Stanionis and Elaina
     Edwards, and Assistant Coach EJ Vitez, on their
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     outstanding season, overall team record and
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     national championships; and be it further
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                  "RESOLVED, That copies of this
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     resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to
11
     the New Rochelle High School Varsity and Junior
12
     Varsity Cheerleading Teams; Coaches Elaina
     Edwards and Chrissy Stanionis; and Assistant
13
     Coach EJ Vitez."
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                  (Applause.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                              The
     question is on the resolution. All in favor
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     signify by saying aye.
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                  (Response of "Aye.")
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                              Opposed,
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     nay.
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                  (No response.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     resolution is adopted.
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                  Senator Libous.
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Thank you,
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS:
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     Madam President.
                  I believe there's a resolution at
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 4
     the desk by Senator Stewart-Cousins, Number 764.
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     May we have it read in its entirety and, before
     we adopt it, please call on Leader Cousins.
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 7
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
 8
     Secretary will read.
 9
                  THE SECRETARY:
                                   Legislative
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     Resolution Number 764, by Senator
11
     Stewart-Cousins, congratulating the New Rochelle
12
     Varsity Football Team and Coach Lou DiRienzo upon
     the occasion of capturing the New York State
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     Class AA Championship."
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                  "WHEREAS, Excellence and success in
     competitive sports can be achieved only through
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     strenuous practice, team play and team spirit,
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     nurtured by dedicated coaching and strategic
     planning; and
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                  "WHEREAS, Athletic competition
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     enhances the moral and physical development of
     the young people of this state, preparing them
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     for the future by instilling in them the value of
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     teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy
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     living, imparting a desire for success and
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developing a sense of fair play and competition;
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     and
                  "WHEREAS, The New Rochelle Huguenots
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 4
     captured their second New York State Class AA
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     Football title by defeating Orchard Park by a
     score of 34-6 at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse,
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 7
     New York, on November 24, 2012; and
                  "WHEREAS, The athletic talent
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     displayed by this team is due in great part to
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     the efforts of Coach Lou DiRienzo, a skilled and
     inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to
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     develop potential into excellence; and
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                  "WHEREAS, The team, finishing the
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     season with an impressive 11-1 record, were
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     loyally and enthusiastically supported by family,
     fans, friends and the community at large; and
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                  "WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the
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     New Rochelle Varsity Football Team, from the
     opening game of the season to participation in
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     the championship, were a brotherhood of athletic
     ability, of good sportsmanship, of honor and of
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     scholarship, demonstrating that these team
     players are second to none; and
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                  "WHEREAS, Athletically and
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     academically, the team members have proven
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themselves to be an unbeatable combination of
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     talents, reflecting favorably on their school;
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     and
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                  "WHEREAS, Coach Lou DiRienzo has
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     done a superb job in guiding, molding and
 6
     inspiring the team members toward their goals;
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     and
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                  "WHEREAS, Sports competition
     instills the values of teamwork, pride and
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     accomplishment, and Coach Lou DiRienzo and all of
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     the outstanding athletes have clearly made a
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     contribution to the spirit of excellence which is
     a tradition of their school; now, therefore, be
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     it
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                  "RESOLVED, That this Legislative
     Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate
16
     the New Rochelle Varsity Football Team; its
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18
     members: Keimon Barrow, Terrence Holden, Jason
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     Ceneus, Wjhante Holden, Gavin Harley, Khalil
     Edney, Ahmad Encarnacion, Tajmir Anderson, Joseph
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     Clarke, Jr., Nas Sinkfeld-Shelton, David Hudson,
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     Max Diamond, Cameron White, Tyrique Rideau, Mario
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     Pierre, Charlie Anthony, Jon Forrest, Conlan
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     Thompson, Kyvon Campbell, Carmine Giordano,
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     Marlon Riley, Amir Sharif, Tariq Leadbetter,
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Shayne Forbes, Bryce Davis, Edwyn Johnson,
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     Brandon Trotta, Steven Noake, Enrique Valencia,
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     Perri Chandler, Cory Holder, Kevin Darden, Will
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     Clark, Ray Ganley, Anthony Williams, Charles
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     Ortiz, Justin Douglas, Kyrel Stevenson, Vincent
     David, Ronak Kenia, Max Theobalds, Jasper
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 7
     Baskerville, Ryan Pryor, Demetrius Rodriquez and
     Jack Stern; Head Coach Lou DiRienzo; and
 8
     Assistant Coaches Greg Foster, Rich Tassello,
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     Keith Fagan, Brian Violante, Phil Spivack,
     Ray Rhett, Tom Drago, and Theo Washington on
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     their outstanding season and overall team record;
     and be it further
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                  "RESOLVED, That copies of this
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     resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to
     the New Rochelle Varsity Football Team, Coach Lou
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     DiRienzo, and the Assistant Coaches."
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                              Senator
     Stewart-Cousins.
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                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
                                              Thank
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     you, Madam President.
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                  I rise to congratulate some
     outstanding athletes and just extraordinary young
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     people who grace our chambers today. You've
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     heard two resolutions. I want you to be clear
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     that it is because out of New Rochelle, which is
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     called "the Queen City," in the chamber today we
     have the cheerleaders who are national
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 4
     champions -- this is the varsity and junior
 5
     varsity.
                  Can you stand up, ladies?
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 7
                  (Applause.)
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                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
                                              This is
     the "Dynamic Dozen" who, again, competed against
 9
10
     hundreds of teams. We've all seen or maybe seen
     "Bring It On" and all these extraordinary plays
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12
     and shows, and we know what cheerleaders are
     like. But these are our national champions.
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                  Thank you so much.
15
                  (Applause.)
16
                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
                                             I'd love
     for them to do the "One New Ro" cheer. Can we
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18
     let them just do "New Ro"?
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS:
                                    Sure.
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                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
                                             Ladies,
21
     stand up.
               Stand up. No pompoms, just -- madam
     President, may they? Thank you.
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                  Give us our "New Ro," please.
                  (Cheerleading teams chanted from the
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25
     gallery; applause.)
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SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS: Perfect. 1 2 And you see how spontaneous they are 3 and how excited they are. And you can imagine, 4 without, you know, their pompoms or anything --5 no space, I didn't bring them down here -- but you can imagine what they did on the national 6 7 scene to win, win, to be number one in the nation in cheerleading. 8 9 So this brings us now to the people 10 they cheer on. Gentlemen, will you please rise? 11 (Applause.) 12 SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS: Now, I am sorry that so many of my colleagues are involved 13 14 in other things. Obviously, we have budget. 15 these are our state champions, Class AA. there are a lot of people who would be in this 16 chamber whose teams have met these young men. 17 18 And they're all probably great players, but this 19 football team, the Huguenots, number one for two

Now, they come from New Rochelle
High School. And New Rochelle High School, you
might know, is the home high school of a Super
Bowl hero, Ray Rice. And you all watched the
Ravens win the Super Bowl? He came out of

years in a row. Two years in a row.

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New Rochelle High School.
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                  And these gentlemen, who are
 3
     accompanied by their coach, Lou DiRienzo -- Lou,
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     will you wave? There's Lou.
 5
                  (Applause.)
                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
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                                              Lou, who
 7
     will instills pride, who instills a sense of
 8
     responsibility, teamwork.
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                  They don't quit until they get the
10
     job done.
                They know it's not all about winning,
     it's about building character and being
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12
     responsible. And yes, they are scholars, and
     yes, they do win. Most of them are on their way
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14
     to college.
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                  Also accompanying them is the
     athletic director, Steven Young.
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                  (Applause.)
18
                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
                                              And the
     assistant football coaches Greg Foster and
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20
     Ray Rhett.
21
                  (Applause.)
                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
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                                              Now, I
     didn't mention, because of the cheerleading --
23
     I'm so sorry -- where is Chrissy Stanionis?
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     Chrissy, who is the head cheerleading coach.
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She's here too.

(Applause.)

SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS: I wanted to bring them here so that they could see us and we could see them. And to let them know that because you are national champions, because you are state champions, you represent all of us. And we are extremely proud of what you have done and what you continue to do. You are true leaders.

So thank you so much for coming.

And I'd like all of you to sit down for a moment because I'd like Khalil to stay standing.

Here is Khalil. I had to give him a -- because this is a man who, like so many of them, you know, doesn't even stay in one lane. He's good in more than one lane. I don't know if you seen the viral video of the basketball game with New Rochelle against Mount Vernon. And there was a kid who had, I guess, sort of thought that Mount Vernon was going to win -- I'm sorry my Mount Vernon colleagues aren't here -- he thought Mount Vernon was going to win and kind of tossed up the ball in the last seconds. There was this young man, Khalil Edney, who grabbed

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what was supposed to be a throwaway ball and shot
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     the basket from how many feet, 60? Sixty feet.
                  That video has gone viral with him
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     sort of just saying, oh, well, why not? And it
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     went in, and they won the game in the last
     seconds.
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 7
                  (Applause.)
                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
                                             Thank
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9
     you, Khalil.
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                  So I thought it was extraordinary
     because not only is he great in football, but he
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     does this too. And that's -- and that's, I
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     think, what all of this represents and certainly
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     what they represent. They stay with it, they
15
     win. And even in those last moments when you
     think you don't have any hope at all, you just
16
     try, you do your best. And every once in a
17
18
     while, miracles actually happen.
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                  So again, thank you so much for
20
     coming up to visit our chambers. We are proud of
     you. Continued success.
21
                               Thank you.
22
                  (Applause.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                             Senator
     Latimer on the resolutions.
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                  SENATOR LATIMER: Madam President,
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     there's not much else to say after Senator
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     Stewart-Cousins said it all. But I do want to
 3
     associate my comments with her to praise the
 4
     terrific young men and young women of
 5
     New Rochelle who have achieved so much.
                  And as Khalil has said heard me say
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     this before, I co-represent New Rochelle with
     Senator Stewart-Cousins, but I am a graduate of
 8
     Mount Vernon High School. So he made me both
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10
     happy and heartbroken with one shot.
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                  Congratulations, Huguenots.
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                  (Applause.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                              Senator
     Marcellino on the resolution.
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                  SENATOR MARCELLINO:
                                         Madam
     President, on the resolution.
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                  It's a pleasure to stand up and
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     applaud and give accolades to young people who
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     are doing the right thing and doing good things
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     and representing their families and their
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     communities with pride.
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                  Too often we read in here and see in
     the media about young people getting into
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     trouble, doing all kinds of things that they
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     shouldn't be doing. But here we have a situation
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where the majority is finally speaking, where we hear about the majority of the young people in this country, in this state, and in this world who do the right thing -- who go to school, get an education, listen to their families, raise good families, become good citizens and become good people.

These are the kids we should be applauding. These are the kids we should be seeing on the front pages of the newspapers. Not the ones who get in trouble, but kids who do the right thing.

(Applause.)

SENATOR MARCELLINO: And make 60-foot shots, I like that one. That's fantastic. That's a symbol. That means I don't give up, I never quit.

And ladies and gentlemen, never, ever quit. You've got it in your heart, you can go in this great country as far as you want to go. You can be whatever you want to be. You are the only one who can limit yourself. So don't put any limits on yourself. Go as far as you can go and as far as you want. You'll be a pleasure to your parents.

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                  And we're pleased and proud to have
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     you here in the New York State Senate. God bless
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     you all.
 4
                  (Applause.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     you.
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                  Are there any other Senators wishing
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     to be heard on the resolution?
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                  Seeing none, the question is on the
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     resolution. All those in favor signify by saying
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     aye.
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                  (Response of "Aye.")
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Opposed,
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     nay.
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                  (No response.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     resolution is adopted. Thank you, Senator
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     Stewart-Cousins.
                  Senator Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you,
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     Madam President.
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                  Senator Stewart-Cousins, I just want
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     you to know that the cheer was given with
     unanimous consent.
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                  SENATOR STEWART-COUSINS:
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so much. Thank you so much. I appreciate that.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: At this time could
     you call on Senator DeFrancisco for the purposes
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 4
     of an announcement.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                              Senator
     DeFrancisco.
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO:
                                         Thank you,
 8
     Madam President.
                  I just would like to welcome a group
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     of nice young ladies, one of which is my
     granddaughter, and you can figure out which one.
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     This is a group of Girl Scouts from Troop 1970
     from Guilderland, New York, right around the
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     corner.
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                  And you see how well-behaved they
           They're just well-behaved. They're doing
16
     wonderful things. And they wanted to see how
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     government works. And it's nice to see them be
19
     able to observe a functional government, and
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     we're very proud of that as well.
21
                  So thank you, Madam President.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                              Thank
     you, Senator DeFrancisco.
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                  (Applause.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                              Senator
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    DeFrancisco, did they bring cookies?
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                  SENATOR DeFRANCISCO: No, I have
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     cookies up there.
 4
                  (Laughter.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Senator
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     Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: Thank you,
 8
    Madam President.
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                  At this time could we have the
10
    noncontroversial reading of the calendar.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                             The
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12
     Secretary will proceed with the reading of the
13
    noncontroversial calendar.
                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 24,
14
15
    by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print 1111, an act to
16
     amend the Public Authorities Law.
17
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Read the
18
     last section.
                  THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
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20
     act shall take effect immediately.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
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     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Announce
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     the results.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: The bill
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     is passed.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 48,
 5
    by Senator Libous, Senate Print 2119, an act to
     amend Chapter 413 of the Laws of 2012.
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 7
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: There is
 8
     a home-rule message at the desk.
9
                  Read the last section.
10
                  THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
     act shall take effect immediately.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
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     roll.
                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                             Announce
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     the results.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: The bill
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     is passed.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number 71,
21
    by Senator Libous, Senate Print 1910, an act to
22
     amend the Town Law.
23
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Read the
     last section.
24
                  THE SECRETARY: Section 3.
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act shall take effect immediately.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
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     roll.
 4
                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
 5
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Announce
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     the results.
                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.
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 8
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: The bill
9
     is passed.
                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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     130, by Senator Hannon, Senate Print 2942, an act
11
     to amend the Penal Law.
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13
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Read the
     last section.
14
                  THE SECRETARY: Section 10. This
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16
     act shall take effect on the 90th day.
17
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
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     roll.
                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Announce
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     the results.
22
                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: The bill
     is passed.
24
                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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132, by Senator Larkin, Senate Print 283, an act
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     to amend the Penal Law.
 3
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Read the
     last section.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Section 7. This
     act shall take effect on the 180th day.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
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     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Announce
     the results.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 59. Nays,
     1. Senator Montgomery recorded in the negative.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     is passed.
16
                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
     134, by Senator Fuschillo, Senate Print 745, an
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18
     act to amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law.
19
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Read the
20
     last section.
21
                  THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
22
     act shall take effect immediately.
23
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                             Announce
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     the results.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.
                                             The bill
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     is passed.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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     136, by Senator Maziarz, Senate Print 1095, an
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     act to amend the Highway Law.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Read the
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     last section.
                  THE SECRETARY: Section 2. This
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     act shall take effect immediately.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                            Announce
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     the results.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: The bill
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     is passed.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
22
     151, by Senator Young, Senate Print 2677, an act
     to amend the Agriculture and Markets Law.
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24
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Read the
25
     last section.
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                  THE SECRETARY:
                                   Section 4. This
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     act shall take effect immediately.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Call the
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     roll.
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                  (The Secretary called the roll.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                             Announce
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     the results.
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                  THE SECRETARY: Ayes, 60.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: The bill
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     is passed.
                  THE SECRETARY: Calendar Number
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     152, by Senator --
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: Lay it aside for
     the day, please.
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
                                             The bill
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     is laid aside for the day.
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                  Senator Libous, that completes the
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     reading of the noncontroversial calendar.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: Madam President,
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     is there any further business at the desk?
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: There is
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    no further business -- oh. I recognize Senator
     Farley for an announcement.
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                  SENATOR FARLEY:
                                    Madam President,
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     I'd like to pay acknowledgment and tribute to one
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     of the rising stars in this chamber. Today is a
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     very important day for him. It's the birthday of
     Senator Andrew Lanza, right over here.
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                  (Applause.)
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                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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     birthday, Senator Lanza.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: I don't know where
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     you got the rising-star thing from, but happy
     birthday.
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                  (Laughter.)
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                             Senator
     Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS: I already asked if
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     there was any further business at the desk, and
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     Senator Lanza's birthday was the further
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     business, that's correct.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO: Right.
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     There is no further business at the desk,
     Senator Libous.
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                  SENATOR LIBOUS:
                                    There being no
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     further business, Madam President, the Senate
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     stands adjourned until Wednesday, March 13th, at
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     3:00 p.m.
                  ACTING PRESIDENT SAVINO:
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                                             There
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     being no further business before the Senate, on
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     motion, the Senate stands adjourned until
     Wednesday, March 13th, at 3:00 p.m.
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                   (Whereupon, at 4:05 p.m., the Senate
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     adjourned.)
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