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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 10th Anniversary of Gibb Mansion

WHEREAS, Organizations devoted to improving the quality of life for others, enabling them to build lives of dignity and self-worth are deserving of the highest praise and recognition; and

WHEREAS, From time to time, society calls upon these organizations to be recognized for the significance of their contributions and efforts to assist others in developing the skills necessary to be successful, productive citizens; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of Gibb Mansion; and

WHEREAS, Since its doors opened in 2002, Gibb Mansion has always been more than just a supportive housing facility; it is a home, a respite, and an oasis to those in extreme crisis, who are traumatized, stigmatized and estranged from society; and

WHEREAS, The men and women who benefit from this illustrious organization suffer from homelessness, chronic illness, substance abuse and/or mental illness, and are seeking to live full and healthy independent lives; and

WHEREAS, Gibb Mansion was a once-deteriorated 1850s architectural gem which Pratt Area Community Council (PACC), its umbrella agency, transformed into a vibrant residential and community center with modern, bright, affordable studio apartments that are the first steps toward stability and independence; and

WHEREAS, Gibb Mansion contributes greatly to the ongoing development and vibrancy of Bedford-Stuyvesant and surrounding neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, For the past decade, Gibb Mansion's professional and compassionate team has formed strong bonds with the residents, and has helped them to achieve autonomy and balanced lives through the acquisition of knowledge, skills and sustainable, healthy behaviors; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens

of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to
commemorate the 10th Anniversary of Gibb Mansion; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be trans-
mitted to Gibb Mansion.