

## **2023-J1616**

Senate Resolution No. 1616

BY: Senator SEPULVEDA

HONORING Dr. Julio A. Brache Arzeno posthumously for his multifaceted contributions and enduring impact in medicine, business, philanthropy, and his commitment to New York

WHEREAS, The State of New York recognizes and celebrates the lives of individuals whose contributions span across various fields, significantly impacting communities and setting a standard for excellence and altruism; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Julio A. Brache Arzeno, who passed away on January 1, 2024, at the venerable age of 96, was such a luminary, excelling in medicine, pioneering in the business realm, and dedicating himself to philanthropic efforts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Julio A. Brache Arzeno's early career in medicine laid a foundation of compassion and service, leading to his visionary entrepreneurship in founding Pasteurizadora Rica, subsequently shaping Grupo Corporativo Rica into a cornerstone of the Dominican Republic's agricultural and business landscape; and

WHEREAS, His philanthropic pursuits, channeled through the Fundacion Rica, exemplified his dedication to uplifting communities by focusing on critical areas such as education, health, and societal development, thereby enhancing the quality of life for countless individuals; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Julio A. Brache Arzeno's connection to New York was characterized by his substantial support for Dominican students, active involvement in community initiatives like Food Banks Bronx, and

participation in Upper Manhattan's cultural life, thereby strengthening the bonds between the Dominican Republic and New York; and

WHEREAS, His collaborations with notable organizations like CitiHope International and Major League Baseball underscored his commitment to leveraging his influence for the greater good, benefiting numerous individuals and communities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brache's life and work were a testament to his unwavering commitment to innovation, leadership, and social responsibility, leaving a lasting legacy that transcends geographical boundaries and continues to inspire future generations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Julio A. Brache Arzeno posthumously for his distinguished achievements in medicine, his groundbreaking work in the business sector, his profound philanthropic efforts, and his steadfast commitment to nurturing the relationship between the Dominican Republic and New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the esteemed family of Dr. Julio A. Brache Arzeno, with the deepest respect and gratitude for his invaluable contributions.