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Assembly Resolution No. 786

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HONORING Jean Herve Panier upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Lincoln-King Visionary Award for his commitment and service to his community

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Jean Herve Panier has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence, and leadership, and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Jean Herve Panier upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Lincoln-King Visionary Award for his commitment and service to his community, to be celebrated at the Lincoln-King Visionary Awards Gala, "From Dream to Greatness," on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at the Sand Castle in Franklin Square, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious community gala is held annually to unite the international community and to celebrate unity in diversity while recognizing community leaders for their services; and

WHEREAS, Jean Herve Panier has been called upon to contribute his

time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Owner of Creole Plate in Queens, New York, Jean Herve Panier always had an affinity for the culinary arts, aiding his mother in the kitchen in his youth; and

WHEREAS, Jean Herve Panier started his career working at multiple restaurants after arriving to New York in 2001; he started his career working at the prestigious Ibo LeLe Hotel; and

WHEREAS, In the early 80's, Jean Herve Panier ran the kitchen and was perfecting luxury catering to socialites in Haiti; he then became head chef at Hotel El Rancho and Hotel Christopher, and later became a private chef for a well-known French Diplomat who resided in Haiti; and

WHEREAS, Known for his passion and hospitality, Jean Herve Panier breathes life into any kitchen he works in; he has a one-of-a-kind sense of humor, mixed with exceptional taste and cultural knowledge of French, Italian, and Caribbean cuisine; and

WHEREAS, Years after being in the United States and running the kitchen in multiple restaurants, Jean Herve Panier was able to make his dream come true by taking full ownership of Creole Plate, Rosedale, New York; his unrelenting dedication to his craft and desire for perfection have proved him successful beyond doubt in his culinary career; and

WHEREAS, Jean Herve Panier also does large catering events for weddings, funerals, holidays, and even intimate, special dinners; he soon hopes to open another location of Creole Plate as a sit-down dining and catering hall in the future; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Jean Herve Panier has stood constant in dignity, good grace, and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Jean Herve Panier has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Jean Herve Panier, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Jean Herve Panier upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Lincoln-King Visionary Award for his commitment and service to his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jean Herve Panier.