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Senate Resolution No. 2116

BY: Senator PARKER

COMMENDING the Order of the Eastern Star Mystic Chapter upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Tea Luncheon Fundraiser on May 5, 2024, and paying tribute to this year's honoree, Worthy Matron Michelle Williams

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Order of the Eastern Star Mystic Chapter upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Tea Luncheon Fundraiser at the First Congregational Church in Albany, New York, on Sunday, May 5, 2024; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body celebrates the time-honored tradition of breaking bread with the elegant women of the Order of the Eastern Star Mystic Chapter during their Annual Tea Luncheon Fundraiser; and

WHEREAS, The Order of the Eastern Star honors Worthy Matron Michelle Williams for her amazing leadership and guidance of the Mystic Chapter in accordance with the Prince Hall Order of the Eastern Star; and

WHEREAS, Worthy Matron Michelle Williams, through her strong leadership, steady teaching, and unwavering love for her community, family, and fellow sisters, has shown that leadership can be done with true grace and elegance; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body recognizes that the charitable good, which comes from this fundraiser, will provide school supplies for the youth, support summer programs to inspire and position children to remain in school and become successful, and aid in the endeavor of providing safe places, events, and functions for all communities' youth, especially young Black and Brown girls, to have successful role models to aspire to be; and

WHEREAS, The excellence that the Order of the Eastern Star provides across the state is not unnoticed; the Members of this Legislative Body recognize the energy and effort to provide services for the community, the accomplishments of this incredible organization, and the women who make it all possible, anticipating the further excellent work they will continue to achieve in their communities; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Order of the Eastern Star Mystic Chapter; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when individuals and 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 commend the Order of the Eastern Star Mystic Chapter upon the occasion

of hosting its Annual Tea Luncheon Fundraiser on May 5, 2024, and paying tribute to this year's honoree, Worthy Matron Michelle Williams; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Order of the Eastern Star Mystic Chapter and Worthy Matron Michelle Williams.