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## Senator Kevin Parker Honors Kamla Karina Millwood as 2025 Woman of Distinction

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**Brooklyn, NY** – In recognition of her extraordinary achievements and transformative impact on both business and community, Senator Kevin Parker is proud to honor Kamla Karina Millwood as his nominee for the 27th Annual New York State Senate Women of Distinction Exhibit. A prestigious celebration of groundbreaking New York women whose contributions have shaped our communities, state, and nation.

Hosted annually in Albany, the Women of Distinction Exhibit celebrates and commemorates the legacies of exceptional women who have paved the way for progress in every corner of New York. This year, Senator Parker is proud to spotlight Kamla Karina Millwood, a trailblazing small business strategist, award-winning author, advocate, and dynamic public figure whose innovative work continues to uplift and empower countless lives.

“Kamla Karina Millwood embodies the very essence of what it means to be a Woman of Distinction,” said Senator Parker. “Her unwavering commitment to entrepreneurship, social change, youth literacy, and economic empowerment is an inspiration to all New Yorkers. Kamla is not only a visionary leader, but she is also a builder of legacies, a mentor to many, and a tireless advocate for progress.”

As the President of Palatial Publishing LLC, a certified M/WBE company, Kamla has spent over a decade transforming businesses through innovative solutions and strategic insight. Her work has made her a trusted advisor to entrepreneurs and executives across the region. Armed with a master’s degree in management with a concentration in Social Innovation and Entrepreneurship from St. Francis College, she merges academic excellence with hands-on expertise to help businesses achieve sustainable success.

Kamla’s far-reaching influence extends beyond the boardroom. As an award-winning author of eight books and the creator of a children’s video game featuring her beloved character, Peach the Duck, she has become a champion for literacy, embarking on a citywide tour across all five boroughs of New York City to inspire young readers. Her activism takes center stage through Got To Stop LLC, a fashion activism brand and social impact consulting firm that merges the arts with advocacy to address injustice and uplift marginalized communities. Whether

on the runway, in the classroom, or at a community event, Kamla uses every platform to speak truth, inspire change, and promote equity.

Kamla has received numerous honors for her work, including the Schneps Media ICON Award, Caribbean Impact Award, PowerList Award, PowerWomen Award, and the Dr. Roy Hastick Legacy Award, along with multiple citations and proclamations from elected officials.

An emcee of distinction, Kamla's commanding presence has been sought for major public events, from 9/11 memorials to grand openings and international flag-raising ceremonies. Her multidimensional talents also include certifications as a fitness trainer and mobile notary, all while living a disciplined vegan lifestyle that reflects her holistic approach to life.

Born in St. Vincent and the Grenadines and rising from a modeling career that included appearances on BCD InStyle, Kamla has always carried herself with the strength, confidence, and grace that continue to define her success. Kamla Karina Millwood is more than a business leader. She symbolizes resilience, is a champion for women and youth, and is a true Woman of Distinction.

### **About State Senator Kevin Parker**

Senator Kevin S. Parker is intimately familiar with the needs of his ethnically diverse Brooklyn district comprising sections of Flatbush, East Flatbush, Kensington, Ditmas Park, Midwood, Flatlands, Canarsie, Georgetown, Old Mill Basin, Mill Basin, Marine Park, and Bergen Beach. A lifelong Brooklyn resident, Senator Parker is Senior Assistant Majority Leader for the NYS Senate Democratic Majority, Chairman of the Senate Energy and Telecommunications Committee, and is a member of the following standing Senate Committees: Finance, Rules, Judiciary, Select Majority Task Force on Diversity in the

Judiciary; Banks; Health; Civil Service and Pensions; Internet and Technology; Select  
Majority Task Force on Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises.