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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Hope Hampton upon the occasion of her designation for special honor by Bethany Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York, on May 30, 2009

WHEREAS, The character and richness of religious and community life in this noble Empire State is nourished and fulfilled through the faithful concern and selfless devotion of those who would commit their energies and purpose to the ministry of others; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Hope Hampton upon the occasion of her designation for special honor by Bethany Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York, on May 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, A native of Indianapolis, Indiana, Hope Hampton earned a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from Indiana University-Bloomington in 1990 and began working to better the lives of youth in her hometown; and

WHEREAS, Hope Hampton served as a social worker with The Children's Guardian Home, an Exploring Executive with the Boy Scouts of America, Dean of North Central High School in the M.S.D. Washington Township School System and was named Executive Director of the Indianapolis Neighborhood Resource Center in 1997; and

WHEREAS, After her marriage to the Rev. Dr. David A. Hampton in 2001, Hope Hampton left a corporate position in human resources to focus on full-time ministry; she has been a supportive spouse through successful ministries at Zion Hope Baptist Church, and Antioch Baptist in Indianapolis before coming to Bethany Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The first lady of Bethany Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York, Hope Hampton believes in giving back to the community she has come to love so much; she holds offices in the Brooklyn Chapters of the National Action Network and Mocha Moms and is a member of the Alpha

Kappa Alpha Sorority; and

WHEREAS, With Hope Hampton throughout have been her husband, the Rev. Dr. David A. Hampton, and their two children, Taylor Jasmine and Gabriel Alan, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her many achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for Hope Hampton and to wish her continued success in all of her future endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Hope Hampton upon the occasion of her designation for special honor by Bethany Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York, on May 30, 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Hope Hampton.