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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Special Agent in Charge Kingman K. Wong upon the occasion of his designation as Person of the Year by the Society of Asian Federal Officers on May 1, 2009

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize those individuals of remarkable integrity and character who have made contributions to the success and progress of society in the course of their life's work and inspire others through their model citizenship; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Special Agent in Charge Kingman K. Wong upon the occasion of his designation as Person of the Year by the Society of Asian Federal Officers at its 18th Annual Awards and Scholarship Banquet to be held on Friday, May 1, 2009, at the Grand Harmony Restaurant, New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, Society of Asian Federal Officers (SOAFO) was founded in December of 1990, and is a duly incorporated non-profit, fraternal organization, whose members are law enforcement professionals from every branch of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, Each year SOAFO recognizes individuals for their unwavering dedication and exemplary leadership, which serves as an example for society as well as the entire Asian community; and

WHEREAS, Kingman K. Wong joined the FBI as a Special Agent in 1988; he was assigned to the Violent Crime and Major Offenders Program of the San Francisco Division, with the responsibility to investigate kidnapping, extortion, and other violent criminal offenses; in 1989, he was assigned to the Organized Crime Program to investigate transnational and domestic criminal syndicates, with a focus on Asian organized crime and drug matters; and

WHEREAS, In 1995, Kingman K. Wong was promoted as the Supervisory Special Agent of the Asian Organized Crime and Drug Squad, San Francisco Division, with the responsibility for supervising international and domestic Asian organized crime and drug investigations in the San Francisco Division territory; and

WHEREAS, Kingman K. Wong was later transferred to the Organized Crime Section, FBI Headquarters, where he served as a Supervisor and Program Manager for Asian organized crime and drug investigations; while serving at FBI Headquarters, he was promoted to the position of Unit Chief of the Asian/African Criminal Enterprise Unit, FBI Headquarters, with the responsibility for overseeing the FBI's National Asian and African Organized Crime and Drug Programs; and

WHEREAS, In 2000, Kingman K. Wong was promoted as an Assistant Special Agent in Charge of the San Diego Division; he was responsible for the Organized Crime, Drug, Violent Crime and Major Offenders, Undercover, Special Operations, Crisis Management, Aviation, U.S./Mexico Border Liaison, Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT), and Asset Forfeiture Programs; and

WHEREAS, Kingman K. Wong served as the On-Scene Commander for all FBI San Diego tactical operations, and supervised the San Diego Command Center and crisis management personnel following the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks; in 2002, he was the On-Scene Commander for field operations during the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah; and

WHEREAS, In 2003, Kingman K. Wong became the Legal Attache of the FBI Hong Kong Office; he served as a core member of the U.S. Country Team, and worked with the FBI's law enforcement and intelligence partners in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan; he managed and coordinated investigations,

arrests, extraditions, and training pertaining to all FBI investigative programs; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, Kingman K. Wong was promoted as the Section Chief of the International Operations Section, Office of International Operations, FBI Headquarters; he was responsible for overseeing 75 FBI offices operating throughout the world, and managing the support infrastructure for international operations; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, Kingman K. Wong was promoted as the Special Agent in Charge, Special Operations Division, New York Office; he is responsible for managing the Special Operations and Technical Programs; and

WHEREAS, As the highest ranking Asian American in the FBI, Kingman K. Wong's assignments have taken him throughout the world, working in partnership with numerous foreign governments; in recognition of his extraordinary efforts, he has received a multitude of honors including the FBI Director's Award for Outstanding Criminal Investigation and the

U.S. Attorney General's Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement; and
WHEREAS, Kingman K. Wong holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal
Justice and a Master's degree in Public Administration; and
WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated
public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation
of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for
their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to
honor Special Agent in Charge Kingman K. Wong upon the occasion of his
designation as Person of the Year by the Society of Asian Federal Offi-
cers; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-
smitted to Special Agent in Charge Kingman K. Wong.