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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Eileen Holmes upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the Corporate Leadership Award by the American Cancer Society

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Eileen Holmes upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient of the Corporate Leadership Award by the American Cancer Society, to be celebrated on Thursday, May 7, 2009; and

WHEREAS, This special Pink and Black Tie Gala will recognize outstanding members of the Brooklyn community for their contributions to the dynamic growth of Brooklyn as well as their commitment to the fight against cancer; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Holmes is a take-control financial leader who has over 30 years of experience in the industry; she has held several positions including branch manager, team leader of a business banking team, and is currently the Retail Market Manager for the TD Bank of the Brooklyn Region; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Holmes has great leadership savvy along with the ability to connect with colleagues and customers; she is very well respected throughout the industry; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Holmes is a Brooklyn native who began her career as a bank teller and eventually worked her way up to Senior Management through hard work, and seeking out challenges and continuous involvement in her community not-for-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Holmes' customer-focused style caught TD Bank's attention, and she was charged with leading Commerce's inaugural Brooklyn location, the Sheepshead Bay store; the Brooklyn market is an integral part of TD Bank's ambitious plan to develop 400-branches throughout Metro New York; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Holmes successfully managed the first Brooklyn store's personnel and day-to-day operations, and handled new business development, and consumer lending; in the first year, deposits for the store grew significantly; as a result of her tremendous success, TD Bank asked her to manage the highly visible Brooklyn Height's location at Montague and Court Streets, in the heart of Brooklyn's business and financial district; and

WHEREAS, In her current position as the Retail Market Manager, Eileen Holmes is responsible for 13 stores with 300 plus employees, which serve various ethnic and diverse communities; most recently, the stores' deposits have grown significantly; in addition, her scope of responsibilities includes planned future expansion; and

WHEREAS, Eileen Holmes is a Paul Harris Fellow recipient from Rotary International, a member of both the Advisory Board of the Brooklyn Chapter of the American Cancer Society, and the Bay Ridge Center for Older Adults; in addition, she is the winner of the outstanding community service award from Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned recognition and applause; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Eileen Holmes upon the occasion of her designation as a recipient

of the Corporate Leadership Award by the American Cancer Society; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Eileen Holmes.