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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Louis Sykes upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Louis Sykes upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition, to be celebrated at the 4th Annual Men of Distinction Awards Ceremony, on Thursday, June 9, 2011, in Brooklyn, New York; and WHEREAS, Louis Sykes was born on July 25, 1957 in Brooklyn, New York, to Laura and James Sykes and is the fifth sibling of ten brothers and sisters; he was raised in Brooklyn and grew up in a New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) housing development known as the "Ingersoll Houses" and attended P.S. 67, JHS 265 and Food and Maritime High School; and WHEREAS, In 1991, Louis Sykes was promoted to Supervisor of Caretakers and assigned to the Van Dyke Houses having oversight of janitorial operations, making sure that NYCHA standards were met; and WHEREAS, Louis Sykes, who started working in the NYCHA system as an exterminator, was promoted in 1996 to the post of Assistant Superintendent of the William Reid Houses with special responsibility for heating and maintenance; after displaying such outstanding work ethic along with his experience, he was again promoted in 2002 to Superintendent of the Pink Houses which included the overall responsibility of its management and day to day operations; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Louis Sykes continues to work with community leaders and residents to improve the quality of their lives and enhance the social fabric of the Brooklyn community; and WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Emma, and their children, Charday and Shatory, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Louis Sykes upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Louis Sykes.