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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Maggie Goldstein upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Community Service Award

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Maggie Goldstein upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Community Service Award, to be celebrated at the 5th Annual Men of Distinction and Women of Valor Awards Ceremony on Thursday, May 17, 2012; and

WHEREAS, The Men of Distinction and Women of Valor Awards Ceremony is held each year to honor and pay just tribute to outstanding individuals whose leadership roles have had a significant impact on the daily lives of the people of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Maggie Goldstein is a founding member and Executive Director of the Social Development Center for Community Affairs, Inc.; in this position, she is responsible for overseeing the organization's internal and external development by creating partnerships with others who take a strong stance on issues such as socioeconomic development that address critical needs of young adults and adults alike and also promote microenterprise in Central Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Prior to co-founding this organization, Ms. Goldstein was the Executive Director at the Haitian American Alliance and a founding member of the Consortium for Haitian Empowerment Inc.; she also hosted several diversity symposiums/seminars and conferences at the Dag Hammarskjold Auditorium-United Nations; and

WHEREAS, Maggie Goldstein is an active participant in all aspects of the development and participatory advocacy of social responsibility, sustainability and neighborhood/economic development; in 2008, she tran-

sitioned from her role as Executive Director to Chief Executive Officer & General Manager of Gotham Career Institute; and

WHEREAS, This institution is a career school located in Valley Stream, New York, offering approved New York State Department of Education-BPSS entry-level certificate programs in allied healthcare, office administration, and digital graphic design occupations; and

WHEREAS, A long-time champion of all forms of economic empowerment, Ms. Goldstein was nominated and received the Mirabella "100 Women Who Will Make A Difference" Award; she is member of the American Planners Association (APA) as well as the American Political Science Administration-Society for Public Administration (APSA); and

WHEREAS, Maggie Goldstein holds a Dual-Masters in Public Administration (MPA-UA) Public Administration & Policy-Urban Affairs from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, along with a Bachelor of Arts degree in International Economics/Psychology from the University of Nevada/Las Vegas; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Maggie Goldstein upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the Community Service Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Maggie Goldstein.