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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 70th Anniversary of Bramson ORT College, Forest Hills, Queens

WHEREAS, The State of New York is renowned for its centuries-old tradition of excellence and diversity in education and for the place of paramount importance which education holds for the people of the State; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend institutions of commitment and high achievement, such as Bramson ORT College, whose purpose and endeavor are dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in education and service to community; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of Bramson ORT College, Forest Hills, Queens; and

WHEREAS, ORT (Organization for Educational Resource and Technological Training) is an international organization which strives to bring economic self-sufficiency to world Jewry; since the establishment of the organization in 1880, ORT schools have provided vocational and technical education to more than two million people, enabling them to become productive and economically self-sufficient members of society; and WHEREAS, Bramson ORT College, a technical college in the Metropolitan New York area of the United States, was established in 1942 to serve refugees and immigrants during World War II; and WHEREAS, It became a college in 1977 to provide quality technical postsecondary education and to meet the educational and career needs of the New York community; and

WHEREAS, Bramson ORT College is accredited by the Board of Regents of The University of the State of New York; all Associate Degree, Certificate, and Diploma programs are registered by the New York State Education Department; and

WHEREAS, Governed by a Board of Trustees as a not-for-profit educational institution, Bramson ORT College offers higher education in a caring environment; the programs offered include Accounting, Business Management, Computer Information Systems, Electronics Technology, Medical Assistant, and Office Technology; and WHEREAS, The College now offers new Associate Degree Programs in Paralegal, Pharmacy Technician, Renewable Energy, and Game Design and Programming; and

WHEREAS, The faculty and staff at Bramson ORT College are dedicated professionals with industry and classroom experience; the goal is to educate, inspire, advise, and prepare students for meaningful employment opportunities and future careers; and

WHEREAS, The small class sizes and hands-on approach allow for more one-on-one learning; Bramson ORT College maintains a balance between coursework and the workplace through the College Business and Industry Advisory Council; seminars, discussions, courses on-line and video conferencing emphasize College ties with the business community; and WHEREAS, Students have the opportunity to gain actual work experience through internships and the use of modern College computer laboratories such as the internet, multimedia, and job search; and WHEREAS, The Bramson ORT Library Media Resource Center contains a variety of printed and on-line materials, with special emphasis given to the support of the curricula; a professional library staff offers assistance and guidance to students, and maintains an up-to-date

collection, including numerous on-line resources; and

WHEREAS, Bramson ORT College's main campus is located in Forest Hills, Queens, a vibrant community, easily accessible by public transportation and by car; the College also has an extension center in Brooklyn; and WHEREAS, Bramson ORT College enjoys the benefits of the educational, business, scientific, industrial, and cultural communities of New York City; and

WHEREAS, The success enjoyed by Bramson ORT College is in direct correlation to the efforts of a skilled staff and administration whose involvement is and has been characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all its endeavors on behalf of the College and the population it serves; and

WHEREAS, Bramson ORT College stands prepared to reach out in earnest and enthusiastic quest of its mission, proudly aware of its history and planning with vision and purpose to meet the challenges of the future; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of Bramson ORT College, fully confident that its future will be as distinguished as is its past; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Bramson ORT College.