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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Audrey B. Eadie for 10 years of ceaseless, dedicated service to the North Bronx National Council of Negro Women Child Development Center

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 individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Audrey B. Eadie for 10 years of ceaseless, dedicated service to the North Bronx National Council of Negro Women Child Development Center; and

WHEREAS, Audrey B. Eadie was born and raised in Harlem, N.Y. and was educated in the New York City public school system; and WHEREAS, Audrey B. Eadie became a paraprofessional at District 12 school in the Bronx, and graduated from Bronx Community College with an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Early Childhood and Elementary Education in 1974; and

WHEREAS, She went on to Queens College, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, followed by a master's degree in Early Childhood and Elementary Education; she obtained yet another master's degree in School Supervision and Administration in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Audrey B. Eadie began her administrative career with Special Services for Children which later became Child Welfare Administration; she left for a period of time, and returned as the very first Deputy Director for Administration for Child Protective Services at the Manhattan Field Office; and

WHEREAS, After three years, Audrey B. Eadie left there and became the Deputy Executive Director for Administration at the Richard Allen Center On Life, Inc., a foster care and adoption agency; she then returned to day care as Teacher-Director at the A.E.&T. Adair Community Life Center, Inc. Head Start program in Harlem; and

WHEREAS, The Child Welfare Administration then became the Administration for Children's Services, and Audrey B. Eadie returned as the very first Deputy Director of Child Protective Services at the Bronx Field Office; after two years, she was promoted to the Director, overseeing five sites and over 750 staff; after five years, she returned to day care as the Educational Director of Little People's Place in Harlem; and

WHEREAS, In December 2002, Audrey B. Eadie accepted the position as Director of the North Bronx National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) Child Development Center, where she has continued to diligently work to ensure that the children are receiving the best possible pre-school education and family child care services; after six months, the Board of Directors promoted her to Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, A valued and involved member of her community, Audrey B. Eadie was an active member of the Urban League, NCNW, NAACP, the Laurelton, Queens Chapter of the Negro Business and Professional Women, and other community-based organizations; and

WHEREAS, Audrey B. Eadie has spent her entire career serving, especially in educational and child-care services: public schools, foster care and adoption services, child protective services and day care and family child care services; and

WHEREAS, Audrey B. Eadie's love for the children, her dedication and commitment to children's education, her Christian Spirit, and her

seasoned administrative skills are quite evident as she has served for almost ten years at the North Bronx NCNW Child Development Center; 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 Audrey B. Eadie for 10 years of ceaseless, dedicated service to the North Bronx National Council of Negro Women Child Development Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Audrey B. Eadie.