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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Caribbean Research Center at Medgar Evers College upon the occasion of hosting its 4th Annual Shirley Chisholm Women's Empowerment Conference on March 21, 2015

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 that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Caribbean Research Center at Medgar Evers College upon the occasion of hosting its 4th Annual Shirley Chisholm Women's Empowerment Conference on Saturday, March 21, 2015 in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Caribbean Research Center, established in September, 1985 to address the needs and achievements of the rapidly growing Caribbean segment of the New York State population, is an integral academic component of Medgar Evers College, The City University of New York; and

WHEREAS, Through its research efforts, the Center provides a multidisciplinary understanding of the New York social environment, the diverse social, cultural and economic characteristics of the Caribbean-American community and a comparative analysis of the immigration experience of this community in the context of the wider Caribbean Diasporas in the Americas and Europe; and

WHEREAS, The theme for this year's conference is "Preserving the Black Family of New York City", and will focus on community concerns centered on health and mental hygiene, education and financial disparities; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Dr. Una Clarke, Advisory Board Chairperson of the Caribbean Research Center, this auspicious event will

be used as a platform to highlight the status and aspirations of women of African descent in Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Caribbean Research Center at Medgar Evers College; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Caribbean Research Center at Medgar Evers College is in direct correlation to the efforts of its staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Caribbean Research Center at Medgar Evers College upon the occasion of hosting its 4th Annual Shirley Chisholm Women's Empowerment Conference on March 21, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Caribbean Research Center at Medgar Evers College, Brooklyn, New York.