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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Nigerian Lawyers Association upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Merit Awards Dinner on May 23, 2015

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 long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Nigerian Lawyers Association upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Merit Awards Dinner on Saturday, May 23, 2015, at the Broad Street Ballroom in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Every year since 2002, the Nigerian Lawyers Association has held an annual award dinner that has consistently attracted a dynamic and diverse group of professionals and dignitaries, during which it honors accomplished individuals; and

WHEREAS, The Nigerian Lawyers Association (NLA) is a non-profit professional association with a membership consisting of judges, attorneys practicing with various United States based law firms, corporations, governmental agencies, multi-lateral institutions, as well as law graduates and law students; its core objectives are to improve the administration of justice in the United States as well as Nigeria; and

WHEREAS, The NLA's aim is to also advance legal education and professional development; it achieves these objectives primarily by organizing various programs and events independently or in collaboration with other associations and organizations; some of the NLA's programs and activities include: conducting free legal clinics, organizing seminars, continuing legal education programs, organizing legal internships and other professional development programs, publishing newsletters and journals, analyzing legal issues along with awarding scholarships to law

students; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, the Nigerian Lawyers Association's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; 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 commend the Nigerian Lawyers Association upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Merit Awards Dinner on May 23, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Nigerian Lawyers Association.