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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 19th Anniversary of the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association's Avenue U Senior and Community Center on May 15, 2015

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those organizations which provide essential care and supportive services for elderly and disabled people, and serve to enhance the quality of life for our loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 19th Anniversary of the Brooklyn Chinese-American Association's Avenue U Senior and Community Center, to be celebrated on Friday, May 15, 2015, at Seaport Buffet, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Brooklyn Chinese-American Association (BCA) operates four senior centers across southern Brooklyn to accommodate the Asian senior population; BCA's senior centers have developed into common meeting places where seniors find companionship and engage in a variety of activities; and

WHEREAS, Established in May of 1996, the Avenue U Senior Center has enrolled 2,000 members and serves more than 200 senior citizens daily; and

WHEREAS, The Avenue U Senior and Community Center offers a range of services and activities some of which include, congregate meals, social service information, health and nutrition workshops, free medical screenings and examinations, singing and dance classes, educational

programs and monthly birthday parties and holiday celebrations; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Center coordinates community town hall meetings, assists senior members in meeting their housing needs, promotes voter registrations and educates the community on the importance of exercising their voting rights; and

WHEREAS, This vital organization truly enhances the overall quality of life among the senior population and is an asset within the community it so ably serves; and

WHEREAS, This significant milestone is an excellent opportunity to recognize the special contributions of the Avenue U Senior and Community Center and the dedicated individuals who strive to better the quality of life for senior citizens in the community; and

WHEREAS, Individuals and organizations devoted to improving the quality of life for others, enabling them to build lives of dignity and self-worth are deserving of the highest praise and recognition; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Avenue U Senior and Community Center 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 custom of this Legislative Body that when organizations 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 commemorate the 19th Anniversary of the Brooklyn Chinese-American Asso-

ciation's Avenue U Senior and Community Center on May 15, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Avenue U Senior and Community Center, Brooklyn, New York.