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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Cordelia A. Nwozuzu upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the prestigious Mother's Day Award by the National Action Network and Gateway Christian Center

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Cordelia A. Nwozuzu upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the prestigious Mother's Day Award by the National Action Network and Gateway Christian Center, to be celebrated at its Government Gala Awards Ceremony, on Sunday, May 10, 2015, at Jericho Terrace, Mineola, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious award is given to women who have demonstrated exemplary works, services, and commitment to the people of their communities; Cordelia A. Nwozuzu truly deserves this honor for her contributions to the citizens of her neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Cordelia Nwozuzu was born on October 28, 1948, to Madam Rosaline and James Anowai in Lagos, Nigeria; and

WHEREAS, Cordelia Nwozuzu attended primary school in Port Harcourt, and then went on to attend high school; after graduating, she met and then later married Dr. Emmanuel Nwozuzu; and

WHEREAS, A strong believer in education, Cordelia Nwozuzu earned both a degree in Economics and Business Administration from Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa; she then went on to obtain two master's degrees in Special Education and Guidance Counseling; and

WHEREAS, Cordelia Nwozuzu then furthered her education by receiving an Advanced Certificate in School Administration and Supervision; and

WHEREAS, For many years, Cordelia Nwozuzu taught both high school math and social studies; today, she is a special education teacher within the New York Public School system; and

WHEREAS, Cordelia Nwozuzu enjoys bringing hope to those children with special needs; she believes that a positive attitude is the single most important quality for anyone who works with these remarkable children; and

WHEREAS, Active in her community, Cordelia Nwozuzu, also known as Auntie Cordy, is a faithful participant of her parish choir and many other church organizations; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Cordelia Nwozuzu gives not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, and intelligence to mentoring teenagers from group homes, and assisting them in finding ways to cope with their day to day struggles; and

WHEREAS, Cordelia Nwozuzu is also a vital member of several organizations within Nigerian communities, including Igbo Organization, Owerri Improvement, and Imo Association; in addition, she adopted 10 orphans from group homes in her native land; and

WHEREAS, Cordelia Nwozuzu happily sends containers of clothes, shoes, and other personal items to citizens of her home country of Nigeria; in addition, she provides financial assistance to widows and widowers so they can better their lives by learning farming and trading skills; 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 Cordelia A. Nwozuzu upon the occasion of her designation as recipient of the prestigious Mother's Day Award by the National Action

Network and Gateway Christian Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Cordelia A. Nwozuzu, the National Action Network, and the Gateway Christian Center.