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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, 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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those individuals within the medical field who distinguish themselves through professional excellence and who have made significant contributions to the quality of life of citizens in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, 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 her community; Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, truly deserves this honor for her contributions to society; and

WHEREAS, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, graduated from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland; she then received her medical training at the State University of New York at Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, is both a Board Certified Obstetrician/Gynecologist and a Fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists; in addition, she is a North American Menopause Society Certified Menopause Practitioner, and a Costin Scholar, a recognition accorded to individuals that have demonstrated advanced aptitude in the area of medical education; and

WHEREAS, Today, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, holds the esteemed title of Clinical Director of the Women's Health Center at Doctors Hospital/OhioHealth, and the position of Clinical Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, sees private patients at her office, OhioHealth Obstetrics and Gynecology; from 1995-1997, she was an attending obstetrician/gynecologist in the now defunct Central Ohio Medical Group, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, In 1997, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, established The Healthy Woman, Inc.; she held the title of CEO/Clinical Director until December of 2004; and

WHEREAS, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, has given many keynote speeches, many lectures, and led numerous workshops on various aspects of health, especially in the area of women's health; she has spoken on health disparities and literacy, cultural competency, and a myriad of health issues affecting different minority populations; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable woman has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades, including the Woman of Achievement Award from the New York City Branch of American Association of University Women in recognition of her contributions for advancing the cause of equity and education for women and girls, and in November of 2011, she received the Cheryl Boyce Excellence in Health Care Award from the Community Property Development Corporation, an affiliate of the St. Paul A.M.E. Church, as a leading professional in African American healthcare; and

WHEREAS, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, is the author of several books, such as the award-winning LETTERS TO MY SISTERS, PLAIN TRUTH AND STRAIGHTFORWARD

ADVICE FROM A GYNECOLOGIST, and co-authored the recently published LETTERS TO OUR SISTERS: PRACTICAL HEALTHY ADVICE FOR WOMEN; and

WHEREAS, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, is a happily married mother of three children; in her spare time, she enjoys playing Scrabble, dancing, reading,

and Yoga; and

WHEREAS, As a leader in her profession, Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, has proven herself to be a great asset to medicine and to the health and welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, 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 Ngozi Osuagwu, MD, the National Action Network, and the Gateway Christian Center.