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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Friends of DeCosta Headley upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Networking Gala on May 21, 2015, and paying tribute to this year's honorees

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 who would devote themselves 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 Friends of DeCosta Headley upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Networking Gala on Thursday, May 21, 2015, at the El Caribe Country Club in Brooklyn, New York, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and honor the Friends of DeCosta Headley; and

WHEREAS, This year's distinguished honorees have given much of their time and energies to serve the best interests of their communities and are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Maka Nadirashvili received her Bachelor's degree in Nursing from the University of Georgia in 1995, after moving to the United States to seek greater economic, education and employment opportunities; she secured her pursuit by becoming a Registered Nurse, Business Consultant and Fashion Designer; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from New York University in 1963 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History, Barbara J. Haravay went on to earn a Master's degree in Secondary Social Studies as well as a Master's degree

in Educational Administration and Supervision; after serving as a teacher throughout the New York City area for many years, she became Assistant Principal of Franklin K. Lane High School, and a Professor of Student Teaching at Touro College; and

WHEREAS, Chair of the Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Practice Group, Charles E. Simpson concentrated on corporate reorganizations, creditors' rights and workouts; he is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Brooklyn Children's Museum, the Brooklyn Red Cross and the Queens Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children; he was also a member of the Brooklyn Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Rizwanullah Hameed currently serves as Chairman and Co-founder of All Medical Care IPA, Co-CEO and Co-founder of NYS Elite ACO, Co-founder of All Aim MSO, and runs a private practice in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases in Brooklyn, New York; he is the proud recipient of the Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center President Award and the Humanitarian Services Award by the Lions Club of Kings County; and

WHEREAS, Currently serving as the Chief Medical Officer of the Allure Group, Dr. Rekha Bhandari is also the Chief of Geriatrics at the Kingsbrook Jewish Medical Center; she graduated from Adichunchanagiri Institute of Medical Services in India before completing her Residency Training at Wyckoff Heights Medical Center in Brooklyn, as well as her Fellowship Training at North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Imran Hameed currently serves as the CEO of All Medical Care Independent Practitioner Association (IPA) and COO of the New York State Elite Accountable Care Organization; in addition, he is the Manager/Consultant of Physician Practices in Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, As Chief Operating Officer of the Allure Group, Melissa G. Guglielmo is responsible for the operation of six sub-acute/LTC facilities,

located in Brooklyn and Manhattan; she has been instrumental in the successful oversight of faculty, administrators, assistant administrators, DNS' and all corporate staff; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Reverend Dr. Reuben Chizor brings comfort and solace to all those with whom he comes in contact with; an avid believer in education, this esteemed man established a scholarship program in Nigeria and has given countless scholarships to young and promising students whose educational endeavors may have otherwise been halted due to lack of funds; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Marc Richard Hilaire currently serves as Private Practice/President of Private Corporations of Home Health Care and Social Adult Day Care, as well as a Staff Physician at VIP Community Services in the Bronx where he cares for patients with substance abuse and other concurrent disorders; in addition, he is an Attending Physician at Saint Vincent Catholic Medical Center in Brooklyn; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Friends of DeCosta Headley is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, 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, This Legislative Body is proud to recognize the Friends of DeCosta Headley for their commitment and contributions to the local community and its quality of life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when 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 Friends of DeCosta Headley upon the occasion of hosting its Annual Networking Gala on May 21, 2015, and to pay tribute to this year's honorees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Friends of DeCosta Headley and the aforementioned honorees.