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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Victoria Lamas posthumously upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Lark Street Business Improvement District

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those individuals from this great Empire State who truly made strong contributions to their communities and who inspired others through their model citizenship; Victoria Lamas was one such individual who died on May 29, 2015, at the age of 39; and

WHEREAS, Victoria "Maricris" Lamas was born on July 17, 1975, in Mexico City, Mexico, the daughter of Celestino and Yolanda Lamas; after leaving Mexico City, Victoria's family moved to San Diego, California, before making Albany, New York, her home in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Victoria Lamas started her career as a restaurateur and would live most of her adult life in Albany, including managing Bombers Burrito Bar and working with several dining establishments along Lark Street, in addition to opening and co-owning Noche Lounge in Albany in the mid 2000s; and

WHEREAS, In the spirit of Lark Street, Victoria Lamas met some of the most amazing friends, who would do anything for her; and

WHEREAS, The Lark Street Business Improvement District recognizes the achievements of Victoria Lamas and has posthumously honored her tireless efforts to keep vibrancy along Albany's "village in the city"; and

WHEREAS, Victoria Lamas leaves behind her adoring parents; her loving older brothers, Celes, and Ben and his wife Rebecca; her loving older sister, Yoly and her husband Joseph, as well as many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, grandmother and other relatives, and countless friends; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of

compassion, Victoria Lamas's life was a portrait of service, a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all she served and befriended; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Victoria Lamas posthumously upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Lark Street Business Improvement District; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Victoria Lamas.