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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Rutgers Houses Resident Association and recognizing Rutgers Houses upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize institutions and organizations whose purpose and endeavor are dedicated to the well-being of its communities and the mission of providing housing and security to local residents; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Rutgers Houses Resident Association and to recognize Rutgers Houses upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Rutgers Houses was named in honor of Henry M. Rutgers, an American Revolutionary War captain and property owner in what is now the Lower East Side and Chinatown; and

WHEREAS, For half a century Rutgers Houses has provided affordable housing to residents of the Lower East Side; and

WHEREAS, Currently, the five, 20-story buildings of Rutgers Houses sit on more than five acres of land and include more than 700 apartments that provide housing for more than 1,600 residents; and

WHEREAS, The Rutgers Houses Resident Association works to engage residents, act as a liaison between residents and the community, and advocate on behalf of Rutgers Houses residents and for the greater good of the Lower East Side; and

WHEREAS, The Rutgers Houses Resident Association provides tenants a platform to both voice their concerns as well as share ideas for the future of their community; and

WHEREAS, The annual Rutgers Houses family day attracts hundreds of residents who take part in family friendly activities such as the traditional stick ball games played along Rutgers Street; and

WHEREAS, Rutgers Houses is home to the Rutgers Community Center, a center located in the heart of the Lower East Side that acts as an important resource for Rutgers families, and also as a community hub for the Lower East Side; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Rutgers Houses Resident Association, and to recognize Rutgers Houses upon the occasion of celebrating its 50th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Rutgers Houses Resident Association.