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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Abigail Flanagan, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Abigail Flanagan of Rockland County, New York died on January 13, 2016, at the age of 45; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Trinidad, Abigail Flanagan immigrated to the United States at the age of 18, during which time she settled in Brooklyn; for the past 15 years, she lived in the small hamlet of Spar-kill, and it was there that she dedicated her life to helping others; and

WHEREAS, Abigail Flanagan distinguished herself in her profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of her community; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to pursue her passion for serving the community, Abigail Flanagan earned her doctorate from Columbia University Medical Center, and later became an Acute Care Nurse Practitioner; she served as a Primary Care Nurse Practitioner and helped patients diagnosed with HIV, Hepatitis C, Diabetes; she also aided in the treatment of opioid dependence; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Abigail Flanagan served as a Registered Nurse and Quality Specialist at New York Presbyterian Hospital for six years; she also belonged to the Nurse Practitioner Association and the American Academy of Nursing Practice Degrees; and

WHEREAS, Abigail Flanagan's commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including char-

itable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, With a truly generous and giving spirit, Abigail Flanagan led a humanitarian mission to Honduras through the Global Bridges Foundation where she and 25 other volunteers gave of their time and energies to help this poverty stricken community fulfill their health care needs; and

WHEREAS, Abigail Flanagan is survived by her husband, Dennis; two sons, Patrick and Kevin; her mother, Molly; and two brothers, David and Derrick; and

WHEREAS, Abigail Flanagan's accomplishments were respected by all of those who knew her; her service to the community was greatly valued, and she touched countless lives with her kindness and service; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, imbued with a sense of compassion, and comforted by a loving family, Abigail Flanagan leaves behind 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 mourn the death of Abigail Flanagan, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Abigail Flanagan.