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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Candace lanthe Baptiste, Lupus advocate, ardent sports fan, and devoted member of her community

WHEREAS, It is with feelings of deepest regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Candace lanthe Baptiste, a preeminent citizen whose optimism and caring commitment will long serve as a standard to which others might aspire; and

WHEREAS, Candace lanthe Baptiste of Brooklyn, New York died on Friday, July 31, 2015, at the age of 34; and

WHEREAS, Candace lanthe Baptiste was born on July 2, 1981, to Judith and Eugene Baptiste; and

WHEREAS, Candace lanthe Baptiste, affectionately known as Candy Girl, will be remembered as an enthusiastic Lupus advocate, and a laughing daughter, sister, and friend; her infectious smile and sweet personality was shared with everyone she came in contact with; and

WHEREAS, A bright student, Candace lanthe Baptiste attended William Prescott Public School 93, Village Community School, and Spence All-Girls Preparatory School; after graduation; she earned her Bachelor's degree in both Philosophy and Africana Studies from Hamilton College; and

WHEREAS, A tremendous and talented athlete, Candace lanthe Baptiste played many sports including basketball, softball, volleyball, rugby; she also enjoyed boxing and was an avid professional basketball fan; and

WHEREAS, Candace lanthe Baptiste distinguished herself in her profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of her community; and

WHEREAS, Passionate about everything she did, Candace lanthe Baptiste touched hearts and motivated many through her work as a case worker and basketball camp facilitator; and

WHEREAS, Candace lanthe Baptiste is survived by her parents, Judith and Eugene Baptiste; Grandmother, Jeanette Tate; three brothers, Eugene II (Raquel), Montell, and Jedidah; one sister, Selena (Sean); four aunts, Adenah, Khakma, Divinah "Bon", and Lenora; four uncles, Michael, John, Kevin, and Clemons, four nieces, and three nephews; as well as numerous cousins and friends; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Candace lanthe Baptiste 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 Candace lanthe Baptiste, Lupus advocate, ardent sports fan, 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 Candace lanthe Baptiste.