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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 30th Anniversary of Manhattan Youth in Lower Manhattan

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those organizations that substantially contribute to the vitality and well-being of their communities and the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of Manhattan Youth in Lower Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, Since 1986, Manhattan Youth has served the families and communities of Lower Manhattan extensively and has provided our youth with extraordinary experiences and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Manhattan Youth's afterschool programs first began in P.S. 234 in 1989, but have since been introduced to 15 elementary and middle schools throughout Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, Since 1992, Downtown Day Camp has been an important part of Lower Manhattan, providing educational, creative, and athletic experiences to over 1,000 kids, as well as offering job opportunities for teens and young adults; and

WHEREAS, In the aftermath of 9/11, Manhattan Youth organized one of the first community meetings, bringing together nearly 1,000 Lower Manhattan residents; and

WHEREAS, Despite taking in over 20 feet of water from Superstorm Sandy, the team at Manhattan Youth was able to persevere and resume normal operations shortly thereafter; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of Bob Townley, Manhattan Youth has become a prominent part of Lower Manhattan, creating a strong, community-based environment and providing our youth with incredible opportunities to grow; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Manhattan Youth; and
WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges this exceptional organization and its contributions to the communities of Lower Manhattan, fully confident that it will continue to serve as it has thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of Manhattan Youth in Lower Manhattan; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Manhattan Youth.