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Senate Resolution No. 496

BY: Senator COMRIE

COMMENDING Detective Tanya Duhaney upon the occasion of being named Person of the Year by the Guardians Association of the New York City Police Department on March 3, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished officers and citizens who would devote themselves to public service, demonstrating great courage and diligence in providing for the care and welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Within every community of the State of New York there are certain individuals who, by virtue of their commitment and dedication, command the respect and admiration of their community for their exemplary contributions and service on behalf of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Detective Tanya Duhaney upon the occasion of being named Person of the Year by the Guardians Association of the New York City Police Department, to be celebrated at its 43rd Annual Dinner Dance on Friday, March 3, 2017, at Antun's, in Queens Village, New York; and

WHEREAS, The New York City Guardians Association, the largest and oldest African-American fraternal organization in the New York City

Police Department, strives to develop a spirit of brotherhood and good fellowship among its members, the members of the entire Department and the community it serves; and encourage fuller participation in the activities of organizations existent within the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, This vital association also promotes equal opportunity for appointment, assignment, and promotion for all members of the Police Department; encourages exemplary deportment by its members and the respect and good will of the people of their city; and encourages members to thoroughly familiarize themselves with the prescribed, authorized and accepted practice and procedures of law enforcement, and forensic presentation to the end that they will be able to serve their city in a more courteous, intelligent and efficient manner; as well as upholds and defends the Constitutions of the United States and the State of New York at all times; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Queens, New York, Tanya Duhaney grew up in Springfield Gardens, one of the many neighborhoods covered by the 113th Precinct; she attended both PS 37 and IS 231 schools, and graduated from Far Rockaway High School; and

WHEREAS, After graduation, Tanya Duhaney earned her degree from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in 1992; shortly thereafter, she realized her dream of becoming a police officer; and

WHEREAS, Tanya Duhaney began her field training with the NYPD in 2001; the following year, she began her career as an officer with the 104th Precinct, patrolling the streets of her assigned sector; and

WHEREAS, One year later, Tanya Duhaney began to patrol the streets of her hometown with the 113th Precinct; after six years, she transferred to the NYPD School Unit where she worked directly with

students in several of the Southeast Queens schools; and

WHEREAS, After six years of service as a School Unit officer, Tanya Duhaney was asked to join the Community Affairs Department, where she has held the esteemed rank of Detective; in this capacity, she has been instrumental in bringing back community policing which has instilled a sense of trust between the citizens of the 113th Precinct and the police; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those dedicated public servants who unselfishly devote their lives to the preservation of order and the protection of others are worthy and due full praise for their commitment and noble endeavors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Detective Tanya Duhaney upon the occasion of being named Person of the Year by the Guardians Association of the New York City Police Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Detective Tanya Duhaney.