



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Velmanette Montgomery

## Senator Montgomery honors constituent and trailblazer, Dr. Mildred Clarke

SENATOR VELMANETTE MONTGOMERY August 5, 2017

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State Senator Velmanette Montgomery joined the Brooklyn Community Services (BCS) family to honor Dr. Mildred Clarke, MD, who retired from the organization's Board of Directors after 19 years of service.

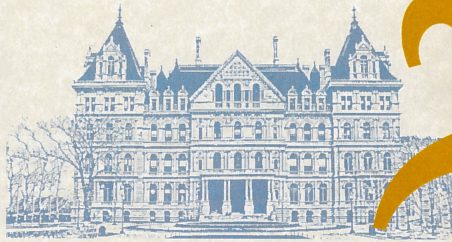
Dr. Clarke is one of Brooklyn's first African American woman GYN physicians to own a private practice. During her 40 years of practice, Dr. Clarke delivered over 5,000 babies. She is

a longtime resident of the Prospect Heights neighborhood.

Although she will be retiring from the BCS Board, Dr. Clarke will continue her literary program mentoring with the women of the BCS Transitional Living Community (TLC), a temporary homeless shelter for women who are recovering from severe traumas and being prepared for permanent housing.







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## Proclamation

### RECOGNIZING DR. MILDRED CLARKE, MD AS SHE RETIRES FROM THE BROOKLYN COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD OF DIRECTORS AFTER SERVING FOR NINETEEN YEARS

**WHEREAS**, It is important to recognize and pay tribute to those individuals who distinguish themselves through professional excellence and civic service, and who have made significant contributions to the quality of life of the citizens in the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS**, Attendant to such concern, I, New York State Senator Velmanette Montgomery, hereby recognize Dr. Mildred Clarke, MD as she retires from the Brooklyn Community Services Board of Directors after serving for nineteen years; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Clarke, who is in her mid-eighties, has lived in her Prospect Heights home for almost seventy years; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Clarke was one of Brooklyn's first African American woman GYN physicians to own a private practice; and

**WHEREAS**, During her forty years of practice, Dr. Clarke delivered over 5,000 babies; and

**WHEREAS**, Although she will be retiring from the BCS Board, Dr. Clarke will continue her literary program mentoring with the women of the BCS Transitional Living Community (TLC), a temporary homeless shelter for women who are recovering from severe traumas and being prepared for permanent housing; and

**WHEREAS**, Education has been central to Dr. Clarke's life from her early days as one of only six women to graduate from Howard University Medical School, to her mentoring of young women through the American Association of University Women; and

**WHEREAS**, It is the sense of this legislative body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend them for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it

**PROCLAIMED**, That I, New York State Senator Velmanette Montgomery, recognize that in Dr. Mildred Clarke, MD we have an individual worthy of our highest respect and esteem; and be it further

**PROCLAIMED**, That a copy of this proclamation be transmitted to Dr. Mildred Clarke, MD.

Dated:

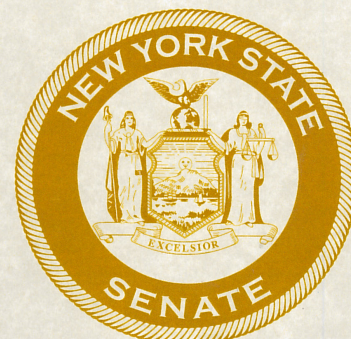
**August 5, 2017**

in Witness Whereof, I have Hereunto Set My Hand and Signature

**Velmanette Montgomery**

New York State Senator

25th Senate District



To learn more about Dr. Clarke, download the Legislative Proclamation honoring her service to the community and to the families in New York State.

For more information about Brooklyn Community Services and their work in the community, visit <http://wearebcs.org>