



NEW YORK STATE
SENATE



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

