

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., SEPTEMBER 30, 2016, A.D.

WELCOMING 'BORINQUEN DANCE THEATER, INC' TO ERIE COUNTY

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, to be held in Old County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 6th day of October 2016, a resolution will adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month in WNY is an excellent opportunity for people of all cultural backgrounds to embrace the ethnic diversity and ethnic literacy that makes our community and nation great, the celebration is coordinated annually by the Hispanic Heritage Council of WNY, Inc; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 celebration includes a tribute to Latin dance troupe 'Borinquen Dance Theater, Inc.' for contributing to the Latin arts for 35 years, the group will be performing for the main event which will be held at Kleinhans Music Hall on September 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Borinquen Dance Theater, Inc. was formed in Rochester, NY in 1981 by Garth Fagan Dance performer Nydia Padilla-Rodriguez, M.Ed., the program offered a diverse range of youth the opportunity to develop and practice discipline through a rigorous holistic dance program; and

WHEREAS, Borinquen Dance Theater, Inc. has been in collaboration with the David Hochstein Memorial Music School since 1984, the group has created a legacy in dance education with Nydia Padilla-Rodriguez being one of only a handful of U.S. experts on the tradition of dance within Latin culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby goes on record to welcome Borinquen Dance Theater, Inc. to Erie County and recognizes the legacy and contribution of Nydia Padilla-Rodriguez's expertise to the dance culture for 35 years.

Barbara Miller-Williams
Erie County Legislator, 1st District

Karen McCarthy
Clerk of the Legislature