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Resolution in support of "Literacy Across Harlem Day"

WHEREAS Harlem residents are heirs to a rich legacy of literacy and literature anchored by a long line of ingenious writers and voracious readers;

WHEREAS carrying reading materials in public are a simple yet powerful expression of one's identity as a reader, learner, and community member;

WHEREAS engaging individual, families, local educational and cultural institutions, and local businesses in collective action for a positive cause, such as reading, strengthen community relationships;

WHEREAS highlighting literacy initiatives, programs, and resources across Harlem encourages community members to utilize and support them;

WHEREAS it takes a village to model and promote education and civic participation for Harlem children, youth, and adults;

WHEREAS the Educations and Libraries Committee on October 16, 2012 voted 7-yes, 0-no, and 0-abstentions to support "Literacy Across Harlem Day" (to be held on the first day of every month) and encourages all community members to carry books, magazines, newspapers, audio books, and other reading materials publicly that day.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that on November 6, 2012 Manhattan Community Board 10 supports "Literacy Across Harlem Day" with a vote of 27 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions and 1 no vote.