

WHEREAS:

WITH RESIDENTS WHO HAIL FROM AROUND THE WORLD AND REPRESENT A BROAD RANGE OF BACKGROUNDS AND BELIEFS, OUR GREAT CITY HAS ALWAYS BEEN A HUB OF CROSS-CULTURAL FRIENDSHIP AND EXCHANGE. FOR 10 YEARS, FUSIA COMMUNICATIONS' CROSS CULTURAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM HAS CONNECTED COLLEGE STUDENTS FROM ASIA WITH EXCITING INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT TOP COMPANIES AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE FIVE BOROUGHS. ON THIS MILESTONE OCCASION, I AM PLEASED TO WELCOME EVERYONE TO CITI FIELD TO RECOGNIZE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS YEAR'S INTERNS AND THE HISTORY OF THIS OUTSTANDING PROGRAM.

WHEREAS:

THE CROSS CULTURAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM WAS FOUNDED IN 2008 BY ELIZABETH KAY AS A WAY TO EMPOWER STUDENTS FROM UNIVERSITIES IN ASIA TO BECOME LEADERS OF THE FUTURE GLOBAL ECONOMY. EVERY YEAR FROM MAY THROUGH AUGUST, STUDENTS FROM PARTNERING UNIVERSITIES COME TO OUR CITY TO WORK AT ONE OF OVER TWENTY-FIVE ORGANIZATIONS. FROM GOVERNMENT AND LAW TO ACCOUNTING, MARKETING, AND ENGINEERING, CCIP INTERNSHIPS MATCH STUDENTS WITH OPPORTUNITIES THAT BEST FIT THEIR INTERESTS. IN ADDITION TO THESE INTERNSHIPS, CCIP HELPS PARTICIPANTS EXPAND THEIR PROFESSIONAL NETWORK, HOSTS ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP INITIATIVES, AND ENCOURAGES STUDENTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EVERYTHING THE FIVE BOROUGHS HAS TO OFFER.

WHEREAS:

A QUALITY EDUCATION PLAYS A VITAL ROLE THROUGHOUT A PERSON'S LIFE. IT OPENS DOORS, ENHANCES CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS, AWAKENS CREATIVITY, AND INSPIRES A SENSE OF CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY. INTERNSHIPS CAN BE A VITAL PART OF THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE, AND THE CROSS CULTURAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM HELPS GIVE STUDENTS FROM ACROSS ASIA THE TOOLS AND SUPPORT THEY NEED TO ACHIEVE THEIR EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL GOALS. AS YOU GATHER TO CELEBRATE A DECADE OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS, I AM PROUD TO APPLAUD EVERYONE ASSOCIATED WITH CCIP FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO BUILDING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR PEOPLE IN OUR CITY AND AROUND THE WORLD.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BILL DE BLASIO, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM FRIDAY, JULY 6TH, 2018 IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK AS:

"FUSIA COMMUNICATIONS' CROSS CULTURAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM DAY"

BILL DE BLASIO MAYOR